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TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE.

THE inspiration of the Sacred Scriptures is either a fact, substantiated by ample testimony, or a miserable fallacy, which should be openly and utterly repudiated, as calculated only to delude. Such, however, is the accumulation of evidence on this point, that the former alternative must be unequivocally admitted by every educated and unprejudiced man; and the latter, or indeed any approximation to a doubt on the subject, entirely renounced. The canonical books of the Old and New Testament are the word of the living God.

This conviction leads at once to the necessity of an accurate interpretation of the Scriptures as a divine record. Men ought not to be satisfied without attaining to a clear compre-

hension of the substance of God's message. For if it is the word of God, of which there can be no legitimate doubt, then there must exist throughout the whole volume, as the product of one mind, one harmonious meaning consonant with the divine wisdom. And if it be a revelation from God to man, that meaning is intended to be ascertained, and may be ascertained by a diligent and humble application of the right means of knowledge. It ceases to be a revelation as far as it does not reveal, if the difficulty of comprehension lies in the terms of the message itself; and it impugns the divine wisdom to suppose that the impediment to discovering that which God intended to be discovered, is traceable to the mode in which it is expressed.

From these principles it flows that the differences yet existing among men, about the meaning of the inspired Scriptures, are criminal. Men are guilty of these differences of opinion. Had they adopted seriously and fully, and with that reverence for divine authority, which emancipates from prejudice, the right means of

understanding that which God has put on record, the supposed discrepancies with which that record has been rashly charged, and the conflicting opinions entertained by different men, as deduced from the same words, would have vanished.

With these views, every work which tends to establish and recommend sound principles of interpretation, should be received with thankfulness. The German critics have done much. Though many of them have been deeply in error, others have deserved the thanks of the Christian world;—and, among the many valuable treatises which have issued from the German Theological School, few rank higher than the unfinished production of Dr. Tittmann now presented to the English public. It proceeds, with great judgment, on the soundest principles of interpretation; and, in the course of an inquiry, conducted under the guidance of very superior acumen and erudition, it not only throws a valuable light on many passages of Scripture, but, which is peculiarly desirable as a part of the series of the Biblical Cabinet,

it exhibits a very excellent example of the mode in which judicious, ripe, and well-trained scholars approach the sacred fountain of truth. And while, in many instances, it brings out satisfactorily the peculiar force of the passage under discussion, it presents, collaterally, strong presumptive evidence, drawn from the extraordinary accuracy of the style of the sacred writers, that they were guided in their compositions by a supernatural power.

The object of Dr. Tittmann was to investigate the comparative force of those words in the New Testament which appear to be synonymous, *i. e.* which range under a common genus, as having one generic idea in common; but which have each of them, additional to this, a specific difference of meaning. Of these he has given an extensive list;—and this work, as far as it has gone, consists of enlarged observations upon some of these synonyms. It is deeply to be regretted that the completion of so able and useful a work was prevented by the death of its author.

To illustrate the specific force of each word,

Dr. Tittmann has brought the whole of his extensive erudition, and the accumulated stores of a long life of painful application, to bear upon each successive object of inquiry. He has elicited from other writers, with great felicity, the exact meaning of each word according to the *usus loquendi* ; and he has shown, from sources of illustration altogether unconnected with the sacred writings, that the words used by our Lord, and by his inspired disciples, when taken in their most obviously correct sense, were the best which could have been chosen ; and that if any other synonym had been adopted, instead of that which is given, it would not so accurately have expressed the intended idea.

A work so conducted and so remarkably effective, though it has been broken off in the midst, is a most valuable example to others who profess to interpret the Scriptures. It is “ a pattern of well-doing.” Many persons, it is to be lamented, approach very rashly the interpretation of the word of God, with very inadequate preparation for it, and with little

more specific thought on the subject than a ruling wish to find there the opinions which, under other influences, they have previously adopted. There are men, who have been regularly drilled in the creeds and catechetical exercises of the Calvinistic or the Arminian schools of theology, to whom this remark applies. Their religious opinions are not drawn fresh from the living spring. They are rather the stamp and impress of those formularies, under the cramping pressure of which their minds rose to a stunted maturity. They have walked the round of a certain train of theological thought. They have acquired the conviction, that certain formal dogmas are proved by certain texts, and they can fluently quote these common places in their regular routine. But this system is a barrier to improvement. Its disciples scarcely ever escape from the shackles of such an education. The genuine force of the Word is often repressed by it; and hidden by the interpretation of earlier and less enlightened days, authoritatively bound upon it. And the more accurate meaning, which

might otherwise have been evident to men of such scholastic attainment, can never make its way against this rigid habit of interpreting according to the authorized human rule of faith.

There are others, however, who are less endowed with learning and critical acumen, but who have either imbibed the narrow views of some modern particular sect, or sectarian leader; or who have been thrown loose from a reverence for any systematic views of narrated truth; and who seem to regard the Scriptures as the sands of an African river, in which truth lies scattered like so many unconnected grains of gold, and from whence each day's labour is to bring forth some new and independent discovery. To them the laws of interpretation are fetters not to be endured; the same word, repeated even in the same sentence, does not necessarily retain the same sense; and, however a passage may be distorted, if it can be made to accord with the favourite fancy of the moment, this meaning is given forth with all the solemnity of an oracle.

Now to both classes of students here de-

scribed, and especially to the young, who may be unwittingly led to adopt the habits of either of these objectionable schools, the strict and steady perusal of Tittmann's work may be very profitable. It will give them practical experience of the nature of sound interpretation. It will show them the character of mind best fitted for such inquiry, and the judgment and caution, and extensive and accurate reading, with which first-rate minds approach a task so intensely interesting and important. It will place before them some of the successful results to which inquiries, so conducted, lead. And, in fact, a serious study of these few chapters may, with the divine blessing, lead to an enlarged and accurate investigation of the canon of revealed truth, and to a satisfactory conviction of the substance of its announcements, not drawn from the dogmatic assertions of human authority, or based on the inventions of an exuberant fancy; but flowing legitimately and clearly, from a well-directed grammatical exegesis of the averments of the inspired book itself.

On the immediate subject of the work, as far as it has gone, it would have been presumption in the translator to have added any thing from his own limited resources. On some collateral topics a few notes have been appended. And, on one point, which the learned author has scarcely touched, but which appeared to him materially to strengthen and confirm Dr. Tittmann's views, the translator has added, occasionally, a more enlarged annotation. He has endeavoured to extend the inquiry into the force of a word, beyond the immediate use of it at the time when the New Testament was written, to an anterior period, when the same word existed in an earlier language, and in a different character.

Ernesti says truly, (*Biblical Cabinet*, p. 27,) that "the usage of language is affected by many things, by the time, the religion, the sect or party, the habits of ordinary life, and the political institutions, all of which tend to form the character of the style." And that "the proper province of grammarians, the highest exercise of their art, consists in discovering what is the exact meaning of each word, at

different times, in different authors, and in different styles." It is evident then, that even during the period in which one language flourishes, changes may and do occur in the meaning of words, and by the introduction of new words, derivative or otherwise. Hence an examination of the whole history and progress of the word in that one language becomes necessary to bring out an accurate result. But it must be ever remembered, that each language is not a separate and independent existence. Each successive nation of the earth was originally a migrating colony, which brought a language with them; and even after they were settled, their thinly peopled shores were still open to the ingress of other adventurers, the peculiarities of whose speech would blend with those of the earlier colonists. The English language is an illustration of this fact. It is a compound of Celtic, Gothic, Roman, Saxon, Danish, and French, and necessarily, therefore, extends a scientific investigation of the language into those which were spoken by the successive invaders of our island. And from this it will appear, that etymology

is nothing more than an extension of the inquiry, which Ernesti proposes, over a wider range of time and space. It is, in fact, tracing the history of the word, the original idea, and its various changes of form and modifications of thought, through the whole period of its existence, from the people among whom it is first discovered, down to more modern times.

Doubtless, in a multitude of cases, evidence may be adduced of a word having undergone, from custom or accidental influence, a very important modification in its force; though it is scarcely in the nature of things that such changes should occur arbitrarily and without a traceable reason; and such variations are much less frequent and extensive than some persons imagine. But, in the pursuit of philological inquiries, when a word occurs but rarely in surviving writings, and real difficulty arises from the scantiness of the contemporary evidence, in fixing the precise force of the word at the period required, it is surely a matter of great moment to be able to show what was

the meaning of the same word in ages anterior to the period under discussion, and what is the meaning or derivation of that word still extant in modern languages or dialects.

Ernesti admits this in some measure. He says, "There may be a deficiency of evidence as to the *usus loquendi* in the particular age and author." (P. 80.) And he suggests, in such difficulties, among other aids, a consideration of "the analogy subsisting between similar languages, that is, between those which have sprung from a common origin, as the Hebrew, the Chaldee, the Syriac, the Arabian; or like those which stand in the relation of parent or derivative, as the Greek and Latin." But the remedy is here timidly proposed. Ernesti does not take a full view of the subject. Has the Greek no parent? Did that copious and well-arranged language, with all the beauties of its grammatical inflexion, spring up at once, and independently, from the Hellenic soil, a host of armed men? If we can trace the progress of Greek to the Italian shore, may we not trace back the Greek to something else?

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Is the progress of language, anterior to the formation of the Greek, so completely involved in obscurity, that we can discover no connection between the language of the Hellenic colonists and that of their Asiatic ancestors, whose language we know to have been a written language before Greek had a being?

Fair and cautious investigation shows, beyond all question, that although the radical words of the Greek language have undergone considerable metamorphosis, they have their source in the languages spoken directly to the eastward of the Grecian territories; and that the etymons of Greek and Latin words are found in abundance in the roots of Hebrew and its cognate dialects. And, in fact, the connection between the language spoken by the different divisions of the Shemitic and Japhetic tribes, emigrating westward, is so evident, that they may all be regarded as dialects emanating from one common source, which may still be recognized as the basis of all European languages.

In the 12th vol. of the *Encyclopædie Mo-*

derne, there is a short treatise on Etymology, by M. Champollion Figeac, which speaks of such inquiries as of great importance to literature, and in which he states the principles on which the investigation should be conducted, and without which it must be vain. "*Ignoreres regles,*" he says, "*c'est vouloir analyser chimiquement une substance solide en la brisant a coups de marteau.*" The substance of the rule on which he proceeds in the etymological analysis of words in present use, is to detach all grammatical terminations, and initial augments, as prepositions, &c. to strip the word of all additions or alterations made for the sake of euphony; and then he affirms, that when any word has been subjected to this process, there will generally remain a monosyllable of two or three letters, which constitute the radical word.

If, then, this mode of analysis which M. Champollion recommends, be adopted, it will be found that the great proportion of words in modern language are directly referrible to an oriental source; and that the radical word

so denuded is oriental. Champollion gives, as an instance, the word *Individuellement ; ment*, an adverbial termination, *elle* an adjectival termination, *in* the negative proposition, *di* the sign of separation. There remains then only *vidu* or *idu* ; and this probably comes from *video*, which is *ידעו*, *ידעו*, with the prefixed digamma, and this leads us at once to the Hebrew *ידע* to know, or perceive.

Take another instance : *unencumbered*. *ed* is a participial termination, *en* is formative of certain verbs, *un* is the negative prefix, *in* is a preposition. After this denudation, there remains only *cum* ; which is the Hebrew *קום*, to rise up, or to raise up ; and which word is still retained even in its simple form in our language ; *coom*, a heap, and *comb*, the erection of bees. French *comblé*, Latin *cumulus*.

We might pursue this to any extent. But the evidence goes beyond this. It may be shown, that very many oriental words of early origin have retained the same sense in several languages throughout the period of this world's history ; and that their progress, down to the

present time, may be distinctly traced. We must be limited here to one or two instances.

עֵר, in Hebrew; darkness, evening, the raven. In this sense, also, the word occurs in Chaldee, Syriac, and Arabic. We meet with it in Greek, *εἰβος*, *vesper*, *nox*, *caligo*, and *εἰφω*, *tego*, whence the German, *grabe*, and English, *grave*. In the Latin it occurs as *corvus*, Saxon, *crav*, English, *crow*, French, *corbeau*. Again, in another form, it appears in Saxon, *hraefn*, English, *raven*; and then it branches out, from the habits of the bird, into Saxon, *hraefian*, to raven, to rob; German, *rauben*; Belgic, *rooven*; Swedish, *rofwä*; old Latin, *reffare*; *rapere*, *rapina*; English, *rob*, *rape*, *rapine*, &c. &c.

Another instance may be given in the word בָּלַע, which word occurs in Hebrew and all its cognate dialects, in the sense to absorb, to swallow, to devour; *vorax*, *edax*, *gula*. In Gothic, and in all the families of the Gothic migration, it occurs in the form, *balg*, *venter*, *scortum*, *saccus*. In the Celtic family also, *balg*, *bolg*, *builg*, meaning *venter*, *saccus*, *uterus*, and *balgum*, *sorbitio*. In Latin, *bulga*, a bag, a budget. In English,

a bag, a boil, a blain, (*Scottice*) a bealing; to bilge, to bulge, to bulk, to blow, to bellow. In Latin *bellua*, *balaena*, Greek, *βελονη* and *φαλαμα*, French *baleine*. In Latin, *polluo*, Greek *βιβήλος*, *παλλακη*, &c. &c.

Examples of this kind might be multiplied to any extent. The gradual course of a word may be traced as an historic fact through several languages, in which the original generic sense has always controlled the specific signification throughout a series of ages. And it must be evident that, in discussing the force of synonyms, much assistance may be derived from a cautious reference to such sources of illustration. If two synonymous words are under consideration, and the evidence in favour of the *usus loquendi* is but scanty, and intimates, without effectually establishing, the fact of a difference; it is a matter of no little moment, to be able to trace the word in question up to the earliest known period of its existence, and down to its remaining derivatives in modern times; and to show that the idea entertained, as that which was justified by the usage, is

confirmed by the generic character and force of the word at all times; and probably also that the specific use of it, which is sought to be established, did exist in another line of migration from the east than the Hellenic.

To this point, then, the Translator has ventured to apply a few observations, not because he aspires to associate any remarks of his with the pages of such a writer as Tittmann; but because this systematic application of etymological inquiry to exegesis, has not yet been adequately tried; and because experience teaches him that much may yet be done by this means, to illustrate difficult passages of Scripture. If the valuable glossaries of ancient and modern languages, of which we are possessed, are examined, with a view to this mode of illustration, treasures of invaluable importance may yet be brought forth; which, under the guidance of sound and well-weighed canons of application, may throw much new light upon rare words and obscure passages, both in the Hebrew and Greek Scriptures. And if these few hints shall turn the attention

of superior linguists to the subject, the Translator will not regret the intrusion of his own views on the public through the medium of these prefatory remarks. The subject is extensive, and the matter for illustration abundant, and requiring ample space for detail. Here, however, it should not be carried further.

Mr. Tittmann completed, before his death, another small portion of this work on the Synonyms. This, together with some other small tracts, on subjects intimately connected with the present treatise, it is the purpose of the Translator to give to the public at a future period.

The second volume also will include a general list of the Synonyms of the New Testament, which was arranged by Tittmann, and printed with short notices attached occasionally to some of the words.

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DR. JOHN AUGUSTUS HENRY TITTMANN, was born on the 1st of August 1773, at Langersalza, in Upper Saxony, at which place his father was then stationed as deacon in the church of St. Boniface. He was in infancy extremely delicate, but his health gradually improved, especially after the removal of his father to Wittenberg. Here his education commenced, and his progress was rapid. At fifteen years of age he gave the first public proof of his talents in an essay, "*De Virgilio Homerum imitante.*" Enjoying the privilege of such teachers as Schröck, Antoni, Henrichs, Hiller, and especially the illustrious Reinhard, he pursued his studies successfully, taking the

degree of M. A. in 1791. And in the year following, having determined to devote himself to an academical life, he went to Leipsic and studied under Professors Morus, Rosenmuller, Keil and Wolf. In 1793, he defended from the chair a dissertation entitled, "*De Consensu Philosophorum veterum in summo bono definiendo*," and in the following month opened his first course of lectures. In 1795, he was made B. D. and was appointed to be the morning preacher at the University Church. His prelections to the theological students were so very much approved, that, in the year 1796, he was appointed to an extraordinary professorship of Philosophy; and in 1800 to a similar one in theology. In 1805, being just thirty-two years of age, he took the degree of doctor in divinity, and was admitted into the *concilium professorum*; and having thus obtained a vote in the Theological faculty, he had the means of being useful to his pupils, of which he readily availed himself for those who merited his favour.

On the death of Dr. Wolf in 1809, he was

appointed the third regular professor of the University. In 1812, he became the assessor of the royal consistory. In 1815, he succeeded Rosenmuller as the second professor, and canon of Meissen; and on the death of Dr. Keil in 1818, he rose to the very honourable position of *Academiae professor primarius*; and having passed also through the various intermediate grades of ecclesiastical honour, he was elected the *Custos prelatus* of the cathedral church at Meissen. These successive steps of honourable elevation, present to us a very striking instance of the steady progress to respect and usefulness, of a man of real worth and talent. It is remarkable also, that in all these several stations, his talent for business was as eminent as his theological attainments. He was ever, in the midst of an active devotion to the most complicated duties, the ready counsellor of his pupils in all their various doubts and difficulties. His advice also was sought with much avidity in the filling up of ecclesiastical and academical charges; and such was his accurate discernment of character, that he had

scarcely ever reason to regret his recommendation.

In the several stations which he held, Dr. Tittmann continued to lecture, during a period of forty years, on various branches of theological study. He gave courses of lectures on the exegesis of the New Testament, on the method of theological study, on church history, on the evidences, the morality, the creeds, and the dogmatic system of Christianity, all of which were highly valued.

His system of exegesis led directly to the bringing out the meaning from the sacred text itself, independently of all consideration of the opinions of commentators. His course of lectures on the method of study extended through a period of seven years. The views contained in his lectures on Church History, are given to the world in his admirable work, called, "A Practical Exposition of the Evangelical Churches in the years 1530 and 1830."^a

^a *Der Evangelische Kirche in Jahre 1530, und in Jahre 1830, pragmatisch dargestellt.*

A very valuable tract from his pen on the same subject, appeared a few weeks before his death in the *Journal of Historical Theology*. In his lectures on the evidences of Christianity, he made use of a small work, entitled, "Thoughts on the Subject of a Defence of the Faith."^b His lectures on morals were deeply interesting; and nothing could be more beautiful than the simplicity of his teaching in dogmatic theology. It is to be regretted that a projected work on this subject, which he had commenced six times, but, in consequence of the difficulty of satisfying the rigid demands of his own accurate mind, had as often laid aside, was never completed. A few days before his death, he had mentioned his intention of devoting himself to it in the following spring.

In his lectures on "the Creeds," he used, as a text-book, his "*Institutio Symbolica Ecclesiae Evangelicae*," Lips. 1811. In the course of these prelections, he taught his pupils to en-

^b *Ideen zu einer Apologie des Glaubens.*

tertain a due, but only a due regard for creeds, as human standards of religious opinion. And he drew, with delicate accuracy, the distinctions between the Lutheran creed and that of other churches.

Tittmann's ability as a lecturer was admitted by all who heard him. His manner was good, his style lucid and simple, and his readiness for extempore address great. He was remarkable also for his constant attention to the interests of his students, and for his great liberality, both with respect to the fees of the class, and the devotion of his time to the society of his students out of the class-room.

The works of Tittmann are not very extensive. They contain, however, much of the fruits of forty years of labour; often giving, in a few sentences, matter which others would have expanded into a volume. And in addition to those productions, which were strictly professional, he wrote many tracts and pamphlets on ecclesiastical law. He contributed papers to the Antiquarian Society, and re-

gularly, from the year 1822 to 1831, he wrote the preface to the Leipsic Missionary Report.

Dr. Tittmann was, according to the German technical style of speaking, a supernaturalist; and, however some of his views might for a short time, and by some persons be misunderstood, he was decidedly opposed to what is on the continent of Europe called Rationalism. He drew the distinction calmly and wisely between the departments of reason and religious submission to divine teaching. He vindicated the proper province of reason in judging of religious, as of all other truth; and maintained that the reason cannot receive, as true, any thing which is really opposed to the eternal and universally recognized laws of truth, which God has given for man's general guidance. He held, therefore, that there was in Christianity nothing contrary to these laws and to sound reason. At the same time, he held it vain to affirm, that the statements of a religious dispensation were limited to matters which the human mind, by the force of its na-

tural faculties, might have ascertained; but that, besides the natural exercise of the reasoning powers for the discovery of truth, there is still another source of religious knowledge, viz. the special teaching of the Infinite reason; by means of which the finite created mind may receive truths with which formerly it was unacquainted; that the Infinite mind, acting in the same way as we conceive him to act in his providential government, has, in the development of his purposes towards his creature man, from time to time made known certain religious truths; that this is the revelation of God; that it is in the Christian system; and that it must be regarded as a supernatural revelation, and is properly called so, because its ultimate source is not nature, but the immediate teaching of that being who, in other respects, operates ordinarily and regularly through the laws of nature; and that consequently it were vain and absurd to attempt to base the doctrines of Christianity on metaphysical subtleties; and that the only wise and safe course is to hold

stedfastly by the teaching of Christ and his Apostles.

The habits of Dr. Tittmann were of course rigidly studious and industrious. He rose in his youth at four, and in later years at five, in the morning. The morning hours he passed till nine in his study. He then went to his class-room, where he taught till twelve. From twelve to one he wrote letters and read the papers. He dined early, and took a short rest. At three he received visitors. From four to six he attended various literary societies; and then hastened again to his desk, at which he generally sat till eleven.

He married a widow lady in the year 1811, by whom he had three children, two of whom still live.

The outward frame of Tittmann was worthy to be the tabernacle of such a spirit as his. Benevolence beamed to the last from his blue and speaking eye; and his whole figure was noble and commanding. Dr. Tittmann died of consumption, combined with other local

affections. His general health began to wear a suspicious character in the month of October, yet, contrary to medical advice, he persisted in being carried in a sedan chair to the class-room, and continued to lecture three hours daily, until the 2d of December. From that day his strength rapidly failed, yet he only ceased from labour on the 23d, because his hands were too weak to hold the pen, and an inflammatory seizure in the throat prevented him from dictating. He died on the 30th. In the close of his illness he said one day, "I am a philosopher and a theologian, but never did I perceive so distinctly as now, that soul and body are two distinct things." Towards the evening of the 29th, he called for a mirror, saying, "I suspect I have got the *facies hippocratica*." During the evening he seemed to dream; and, in a plaintive accent, he said, "All I have now to do is to sleep." He revived a little, however, and in his last moments he imagined himself in the chair lecturing to his pupils; he repeated the words with which he

frequently concluded: "*Sed haec sufficient ; finis, finis in fide ;*" and so saying, he fell asleep.

Happy and worthy of imitation, a life so actively and unremittingly devoted to the service of God, and the elucidation of his inspired word. And blessed they, who, according to their several ability, shall go and do likewise.

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THE
SYNONYMS
OF THE
NEW TESTAMENT.

CHAPTER I.

ON THE ACCURATE DISCRIMINATION OF THE
SYNONYMS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT.

THE anniversary of that day, my beloved fellow-citizens, is arrived, on which, with a view to do away a shameless traffic in indulgences, Luther enkindled a flame, that all but enveloped the dome of St. Peter's. But this flame having declined together with the pontifical sovereignty of Rome, it becomes those Christians whose primitive rights the sacred energy of Luther vindicated, to commemorate that day, not by idle triumphs, but by remembering the wise councils of that great man. It becomes them so to avail themselves of the be-

nefits which he conferred, that they may be seen to have been realized by judicious men, who do not merely boast themselves of their privileges, but use them wisely. Which course, as it has been often neglected by those who seemed to adhere to Lutheran views, so has it especially been the case with those who, forsaking the study of the interpretation of Scripture, have based their confidence on human forms and ecclesiastical authority, and thus rashly overthrown one of Luther's wisest instructions. For no opinion of Luther was more prominent than that the divine doctrine must be drawn directly from the sacred fount itself; and he therefore especially recommended the art of grammar and the study of the ancient languages; although it is generally supposed that, on account of his own education under a defective system, or from the multiplicity of duties by which he was subsequently overwhelmed, he was, in common with the greatest men of that age, not thoroughly trained to the subtleties of grammar. These subtleties, however, many in our day have learned to despise; and, as if the subject were exhausted, they have turned to sophistical disputation, and have learned to regard the whole business of the grammatic interpret-

er as lying in determining the vague signification of words, or in seeking out what they call the literal sense, but which they evidently do not understand. Of this folly, however, I will not now speak, as it is sufficiently evident that after such an improvement in letters as that which has recently taken place, the inertion of these men will scarcely be longer endured. But on that day which we are about to celebrate, it will be gratifying to all to whom the divine doctrine and discipline are precious, to remember that saying which was ever in the mouth of Luther: *the best grammarian is the best theologian*; that is, he who not only knows the principles of the ancient languages, but also so perceives the general art of speaking,—than which nothing more sublime has been invented by the human mind,—to be reducible to common rules naturally based in reason, so that he is able rightly to expound all the memorials of talent, and to open the fathomless treasures of human erudition, he is certainly best fitted to ascertain and to impart to others sacred truth. He is sadly mistaken who measures the business of the interpreter by the vulgar mode of speaking, as if he had nothing to do but what boys learn at school. Although even the elementary rules of grammar are not

to be despised; because, as Quintillian says, to those entering the interior of even this art, many subtle distinctions will appear, which are not only fitted to exercise the acumen of opening minds, but to test even the science and erudition of the best informed men. But most truly Hemsterhusius has said, to understand a language, that is, according to the common notion, to get all the words and forms of speech packed close in the brain, appears but an idle and profitless attainment. (See his Oration on uniting the Study of Mathematics and Philosophy with that of the Linguistic Art.)

But while many things in respect to the grammatical interpretation of the New Testament require a nicer accuracy than is generally thought necessary; this is especially true of those words commonly called synonyms; so that, unless the most accurate thought has been exercised on them, it is much to be feared that no language whatever can be thoroughly understood. For that which, in the study of language, is regarded as the highest attainment, viz. to know whence, and for what reasons, certain names were given to certain things, is of such a nature that it cannot be attained without the accurate examination of synonymous terms; neither can an inter-

preter remain ignorant of the origin and reason of them, unless he is himself willing to err in respect to the notions of things so expressed in words, or carelessly to acquiesce in loose analogoussignifications, however rendered. That this nicety, however, in discriminating and explaining synonyms is yet wanting, both in many interpreters of the New Testament, and in almost all our Lexicons, is not surprising. For this is in all languages the most difficult branch of study, and the least elaborated; and is, of course, so much more difficult as the times of the rise, perfection, and decline of a language are more remote from our own age; and that, as the foundation and origin of particular words fall into obscurity, the origin and relation of synonyms are less easily discovered. And although in the Greek language especially, on account of the refinement and exuberance of the Greek mind, the accurate discrimination of synonyms is extremely difficult, yet in explaining the writings of the New Testament, the definite marking of cognate and similar words is, on two accounts, attended with still greater difficulty. In the first place, because the customary speech of those writers is more nearly allied to the style of vulgar life than to that of erudite men, which is governed

by strict rules ; and also that on account of the multitude of new ideas to be expressed by means of words then in use, their task must have been difficult to any one, but especially to those who were strange to the habit of accurate speaking and writing. For the multitude of common minds, if, on the whole, they agree in certain general notions or ideas of things, care not to ascertain accurately what is the force of each word ; but make use of similar or analogous terms very promiscuously, and do little more than endeavour to express what they think in the readiest and most accessible terms. And hence they not only do not nicely discriminate between synonyms ; but they heap together similar words, the true and nice distinctions between which, even learned men too much neglect. The language of men in common life is certainly more vehement and less modified ; its terms are less nicely measured, and it often affirms both indistinctly and rashly ; which, if an interpreter lose sight of, he will often be seeking in the force of words for a meaning which never entered the mind of the author ; an error far too palpable in most of the interpreters of the New Testament. But, in explaining the sacred volume, the other point which we have

noticed is not less important. For these writers, in expressing new things, for which, in common parlance, suitable words were wanting, made use of analogous words which would be clear and perspicuous to the men to whom they wrote, but which certainly present difficulty to others who are estranged from their modes and habits of thinking. For in respect to things of which a people have no notion, there must be in their language a want of words or signs for them; and therefore if their range of knowledge is to be increased by new notions of new things, either new words must be coined, which ordinarily takes place in those things which strike the senses; or foreign words must be borrowed, which is frequently done; or the new idea is expressed as it best may, in analogous words then extant, whether in a simple or tropical sense. And that the Apostles have done this is no marvel, and surely not a ground of blame, seeing that the greatness and sublimity of the truths they taught,—truths mightier than the fetters of language—could not endure the regulated precision of established modes of speech. But, in explaining their writings, extreme caution is required, lest the interpreter, in rendering cognate and analogous words differing minute-

ly from each other, should attribute to them the same sense, when they are used in a different one; or should attach importance to the difference of sense, when they did not intend to do so. And truly this requires more caution than those who despise the niceties of grammar are willing to exercise; and hence it is, that in explaining the books of the New Testament, words which differ widely in meaning are assumed to be synonymous, while others which are allied to one common notion, are not acknowledged as synonymous, or are not explained with sufficient accuracy. And that I do not here speak unadvisedly, I will now endeavour to demonstrate.

But, at the outset, we must determine what synonyms are. For many have written only ambiguously and defectively on this point; and neither Ammonius,^a Popma,^b or others, who have written on “similar or dissimilar expressions,” have adequately discussed the nature of synonyms. The philologists of our own country, who seem, by nature, fitted beyond

^a A writer of the fourth century. His work, *De Similitudine ac differentia quarundam dictionum*, was published at Paris, 1521, and London, 1637.—*T.*

^b See Ausonius Popma *de differentiis verborum item de usu antiquae locutionis*. Lipsiae, 1734.—*T.*

all others, for the examination of such difficulties, have thrown the first light on this subject. Among these, after Stosch, Fischer, and Adeling, Eberhard is admitted to stand pre-eminent. We yet admire, however, the superior mind of Aristotle, who defined so subtilely and elegantly the notions of indefinite things, that he has given us a most perfect example of accurate speaking and thinking. He says, συνώνυμα, ὧν τό, τε ὄνομα κοινόν, καί ὁ κατὰ τοῦνομα λόγος τῆς οὐσίας ὁ αὐτός. ὅον ζῶον, ὃ, τε ἄνθρωπος καί ὁ βοῦς. Synonyms, therefore, according to Aristotle, are those things which, having by nature a common genus, are called by a common name. From these he distinguishes ὁμώνυμα, which, though possessing a different nature, have a common generic name, ὅον ζῶον ἄνθρωπος καί τὸ γεγραμμένον τούτων γὰρ ὄνομα μόνον κοινόν, ὁ δὲ κατὰ τοῦνομα λόγος τῆς οὐσίας ἕτερος (ante Categor. § 1, 2.)^c Whence

* Far otherwise speaks Dionysius Thrax* (See Bekkeri Anecdot. vol. ii. p. 636.) ὁμώνυμόν ἐστιν ὄνομα, τὸ κατὰ πολλῶν ὁμωνύμων τιθίσκον, ὅον Αἴας ὁ Τηλαμώνιος καὶ Αἴας ὁ Οἰλῖος, μῦς θαλάσσιος καὶ μῦς γηγενής. Συνώνυμον δὲ ἐστὶ τὸ ἐν διαφόροις ὁνόμασι τὸ αὐτὸ δηλοῦν, ὅον ἄρξ, ξίφος, μάχαιρα, σπάθη, φάσγανον. But the Scholiasts (ibid p. 867,) appear to differ, unless we examine them very accurately. Certainly grammarians say that the ὁμώνυμα is a word common to diverse persons or things,

* A grammarian resident at Rhodes, a disciple of Aristarchus, and who, according to Suidas, published some grammatical works.—T.

it appears, that he called those things synonyms which bore a common generic name, and had in them also the same reason why the name was given. And so far the definition is good; for it correctly intimates what they have in common. But one point is yet unnoticed, viz: that synonyms differ, and in what they differ. And, although this is almost an endless subject; for synonyms differ in as many ways as there is room for distinctions in the same word; yet this must not be lost sight of, lest synonyms be confounded with words of precisely similar power and meaning. For it is to be understood, that synonyms are words of the same genus, but of different species, in which fact especially the nature of synonyms lies; but, since all the species are not of the same mode, for some are subject directly to the genus, and others to the species, it becomes necessary to explain accurately both the affinities and the differences which exist. Eustathius (on Iliad. 8, 20.) has spoken more fully, and it is as well to quote

as *Αἴας, μῦς, πύων, φοῖνξ*. but that the *συνώνυμα*, is a similar signification conveyed by diverse words, *ὃ διὰ πλείονων ὀνομάτων ἐν ὑποκειμένον σημαίνει, ὥσπερ οἱ Περιπατητικοὶ πολυώνυμα λέγουσι*. They differ, therefore, from Aristotle, who says that synonyms are not terms peculiar to a genus, but names of things ranged in one common genus.

his words, for Henry Stephen does not appear to have rightly caught his meaning. He says, ἐπὶ τῶν παροξυνομένων ἀνθρώπων, τίςσαρα ταῦτα λέγεται ὀνόματα παρὰ τῷ ποιητῇ· θυμός· χόλος· μῆνις· κέτος· ὧν θυμός μὲν καὶ χόλος ταῦτά ἐστιν ὥσπερ καὶ ἡ κοπότερον μὲθ' Ὅμηρον λεγομένη ὀργή· καὶ εἰσὶ τὰ τρία ταῦτα, ὁ θυμός ὁ χόλος καὶ ἡ ὀργή συνώνυμα κατὰ τοὺς γραμματικούς· κατὰ δὲ τοὺς ἄλλους πολuwνυμα· καθὰ καὶ τὸ βροτός· μέροψ· ἄνθρωπος. — καὶ οὕτω μὲν χόλος καὶ ὀργή καὶ θυμός πολuwνυμοῦσιν ἐν ταυτότητι σημασίας. These words very accurately express that which constitutes the nature of synonyms, viz : a certain notion common to several words, in each of which a certain specific difference resides ; as there are four species of ὀργή, θυμός· χόλος· μῆνις· κέτος, all which may be predicated of an angry man ; but yet in each there is something by which it may be distinguished from the others. If, therefore, we regard the grammarians, synonyms are words contained under the same genus, but each of which has its peculiar species ; so that, though they are all comprehended under one common notion, yet each has besides its distinguishing peculiarity.

Synonyms are, however, of two kinds, of which the one may be called *logical*, the other *grammatical*. And we would call those logical, in which there is a diverse notion of the forms

or species which class under the same genus; as in the example cited from Eustathius, ὀργή is the genus, but the several species are θυμός, χίλος, μῆψ, κότος, diverse certainly in their specific nature, but cognate in one common and more general quality; for all may be predicated of an angry man. We call these logical synonyms, because their relation lies in the reason of the thing, which interlinks many things with a common name or thing; or, as Aristotle says, *ὅτι ὁ αὐτός ἐστιν ὁ κατὰ τοῦνομα τῆς οὐσίας λόγος*. But there are other synonyms which the older grammarians appear to have called *πολυώνυμα*, the synonyms of things, which, on various accounts, are called by various names, as *βροτός μέροψ ἀνδρωπος*. These, as they differ, not in the notion of the thing expressed, but merely in the reason of the particular term given, may be called grammatical synonyms, unless some should prefer to call them etymological. For often many terms are appropriated to the same thing, which differ only in the etymology; as the same men are called, in a different relation, *ἀνδρώποι, βροτοι, μέροπες*. But, if any one maintains that such words should be excluded from the list of synonyms, I shall not object; since properly, those things only are synonymous which have, in fact, the same name as sub-

jects to the same genus. And in this sense later writers have used the term. But since, to both kinds of words, this is common, that they are the signs of things which possess in common one generic distinction, they would not be altogether incorrectly called synonyms, by any one who wished to comprehend under one term this whole genus of cognate vocables. This, however, must not be conceded, that words which signify the same thing in the same mode, are to be accounted synonyms. For how many have erred who have classed together the *συνώνυμα* and *ισοδυναμοῦντα*. It is one thing to signify in some way the same object, it is another to have the same force, that is precisely the same meaning. Nor does Aquila Rom.^d (de *συνωνυμίᾳ*) speak altogether unadvisedly when he says, we avail ourselves of this kind of elocution, when we consider one word not to express sufficiently the dignity and greatness of the subject; and, therefore, introduce others having the same signification. But it is a very different matter what the Scholiast on Aristophanes says, ἴδος τοῖς ποιηταῖς παραλλήλοις λέξεσιν ἰσοδυναμοῦσαις χρῆσθαι. (vid. *Ioh. Chr. G.*

^d I suppose the author means Peter de Aquila, or Aquilanus, who wrote, in 1737, a book, *Questiones in quatuor libros sententiarum*.—T.

Ernesti Lexicon Technol. Graec. Rhetor. p. 334.) More correctly J. A. Ernesti, the ornament of this university, taught in his *Institutio Interpretis N. T.*,* that “in the same language, or, at least, in the same dialect of it, among the same people, during the same age, there are no synonyms of words specifically applied; if, however, such exist in any language, they are the product of different dialects or periods.” This remark is true, and worthy of much attention, if synonyms are to be regarded as equivalent words; the number of which will always be few in any language in proportion to its refinement, as in Greek; for it may be fairly doubted, whether in a language so far refined, any words can be found of precisely the same force, *i. e.* which indicate the same thing, precisely in the same way; for although they may denote the same thing, as βασιλεύς, ἀναξ, ἑβραῖος, or may signify the several species of the same genus, as ξίφος, ἄορ, φάσγανον, yet they differ in certain points; and, although the traces of this difference may be, by length of time and indiscriminate use, almost obliterated; yet they may be recovered from accurate writers, and can even be followed out by means

* See Biblical Cabinet, vol. i. p. 50.—T.

of the etymology itself. Wherefore, great care should be taken, lest in words of this kind, which seem to mean the same thing, we neglect the specific difference of meaning; and this especially in terms which relate to morals and to the affections of the mind; which, although they may appear very nearly allied, yet in degree, or mode, or in specific character, may, nevertheless, differ very widely. And this is, in fact, one of the most fruitful sources of synonyms.

And hence, therefore, both in other books, and in the books of the New Testament, those words only can be regarded as synonyms, which have the same common notion, to which several species or modes are subjected; so that they may be all referred to the same generic head; but each, at the same time, so distinctly differing that, as species, they may be accurately distinguished from the genus itself.

There are, however, three kinds of words especially in the New Testament, which may be erroneously taken for synonyms; and concerning these I will speak shortly. The first class consists of those which signify either the *cause* or the *effect*; and are so much more likely to be regarded as synonyms, because the writers of the New Testament, as is very

common in popular writing, are wont to unite very closely cause and effect. For example, writers of dogmatic theology are very apt to use promiscuously those words which are applied by the sacred writers to the redemption of man, as *ἱλασμός*, *λύτρον*, *ἐξαγορασμός*, *δικαίωσις*, *καταλλαγή*, *ἄφεισις*, *ἁμαρτιῶν*; so that these words appear to signify precisely the same thing, or, at all events, to be synonymous. And the three former we might grant to be synonyms, although, even then, their specific difference should be noticed; but the others which follow differ widely from them. For these denote the effects of the work of Christ—those benefits which flow through Christ to the real believer; while the cause or reason why such benefits are referred to Christ as their author, is expressed by those words, which show what Christ has done. For when the sacred writers say that Christ accomplished, *ἱλασμός*, *λύτρον*, *ἐξαγορασμός*, they mean to express that which he did to obtain *καταλλαγή*, *δικαίωσις*, *ἄφεισις*, *ἁμαρτιῶν*. The *δικαίωσις* is the effect of *ἐξαγορασμός*, and so is the *καταλλαγή*, and they who have considered it as synonymous with *ἱλασμός* have greatly erred. For the *καταλλαγή* is not referred to God, but to men; it is the effect of the *ἱλασμός* and the *ἄφεισις*, *ἁμαρτιῶν*. For after that men have ob-

tained, through Christ, the assured hope of pardon and future happiness, nothing hinders their return to a state of gracious favour with God; and, that lifted up and encouraged by that hope, they should both cease to dread any thing from God towards themselves, and cease to act contrary to his will. And although men are said to be "enemies by wicked works," the force of this is not that God is angry with them; although, on account of his perfect holiness, he cannot approve of human perverseness, nor grant to man a salvation for which he is utterly unfit; but it is, that, men alienated from the love of virtue, and struggling against the sanctity of the divine laws, are in their thoughts, their course of life, and even in their fear, opposed to the will of God, and are in despair of attaining a happy end; than which, nothing can render man, who is "sold under sin," more wretched.^f But from this benefit which is re-

^f This is a most important theological dogma, brought out and illustrated by accurate scholarship. It lies at the basis of useful evangelical instruction. That which divines have called the law-enmity on the part of God towards men, has been made too much of by some, in the face of the Gospel announcement, that "God was, in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, and not imputing to men their trespasses." If men are to be encouraged to seek a better state, they must be shown, that the impediment does not lie in the religious system, but in their own wilful indifference and mistrust.—T.

ferred to Christ, it follows that man may be reconciled to God. The ἄφεσις ἁμαρτιῶν, precedes, and then follows the καταλλαγή. Because Θεὸς ἦν ἐν χριστῷ κόσμον καταλλάσσειν ἑαυτῷ, μὴ λογιζόμενος αὐτοῖς τὰ παραπτώματα αὐτῶν it is now the duty of men to return to a state of grace with a holy God. δεόμεθα οὖν ὑπὲρ χριστοῦ, καταλλάγητε τῷ Θεῷ (2 Cor. v. 19, 20.)

In the same way, δικαίωσις and ἄφεσις ἁμαρτιῶν are improperly regarded as synonyms. For δικαίωσις is the whole gift of salvation;* but the ἄφεσις ἁμαρτιῶν is the cause and necessary condition by which the δικαίωσις exists. Many passages show that they thus differ as cause and effect, but those, especially in which they are plainly distinguished as to order of time, as Rom. iv. 25. But as these words have been taken for synonyms, it has, of course, happened that when they ought to be plainly subordinated one to the other, they have been treated as parallel in order, and by this means a serious confusion has been introduced into ideas of the first importance. For not even now, in explaining the substance of the Gospel concern-

* Rather, it is the putting man in such a state before God, forensically, as that all the practical realization of salvation from sin and its consequences shall follow.—T.

ing the salvation accomplished by Christ, and really obtainable by men, do they altogether abstain from those formulae which, taking their rise from the Vulgate rendering of certain words, subsequently, when the Romish Church had obscured the true benefits of the death of Christ, were adopted almost of necessity by our own theologians; and then, at length, contrary to the plain meaning of the sacred writers, were received among the evangelic dogmata, and defended with more zeal than propriety; and even now, are attempted to be justified. If any true evangelical theologian could persuade himself, in explaining the doctrine of salvation, to use words which actually accord with the Greek, and not those uncertain ambiguous terms borrowed from the Vulgate, as *justitia*, *justificatio*, *satisfactio*, &c., he certainly, as doing much to place the evangelic doctrine in its true light, and to defend it from the defilements of its enemies, would deserve much praise.^b In the mean time, let us give dili-

^b It is almost impracticable to unravel the web which Romish sophistry has woven around the truth to hide it. The ingenuity of ages has been devoted to this subject. For instance, the true notion of repentance has been almost entirely lost, through the false view which the Romanists have promulgated about *penance*. They have endeavoured to show that the very word comes from *poena*, punishment, and

gence that the words which, in their teaching, the sacred writers have used, be understood in their true force and meaning.

Another class of words in the New Testament which have been mistaken for synonyms, is that of those which express the *state or the action*. In explaining these, error often is committed, when persons who know not the true force of the words, endeavour to excuse the rashness of their own interpretation by the supposed inaccuracy of diction in the sacred writers; and thus confound those words which express the action with those which denote the state or condition of the thing. And if any one should say that this is of no moment; for that in both words the notion of the same thing is dominant; it is easy to shew how greatly he is deceived. For, in the first place,

that penance or repentance is a voluntary infliction for sin. But the fact is, that our word *repent*, and the French *se repentir*, are not at all derived from this source, but from the Hebrew word פִּנָּה, to turn; and this etymological view of the word brings us away altogether from the false doctrine of Rome, and exhibits to us the idea of repentance in its true light, and in perfect accordance with the New Testament word for it, *μετανοία*, a change of mind, a *turning* from sin to God. From the same source, we have the French word *penie*, inclination, and in our own language, pent-house, a *sloping roof*, inclining towards the main building.—T.

the words are of a different genus, and cannot therefore be accounted synonyms; as, for example, creation and the thing created; slaughter and death; who would call these synonyms? Moreover, as the thought is widely different when we speak of a certain action, and when we speak of the state or condition effected by that action, it is inevitable that many errors must arise if words of these different kinds are accounted synonymous. Yet this is a fault so frequent with our lexicographers, that I do not hesitate to affirm it to be a fruitful source of many serious errors. Examples of this may be found in those words especially which have their origin in a common root, as *δικαίωσις*, *δικαιοσύνη*, and *δικαίωμα*, and many others; which, when they are referred to the same thing, are improperly regarded as synonyms, and are therefore frequently explained as if it were the same thing whether the Apostle had written *δικαίωμα* or *δικαίωσις*. And this is still more objectionable when words of this class are used to express important general notions, for the accurate setting forth of which customary language scarcely suffices. For in these cases it must often happen, and most unfortunately for the ascertaining the Apostle's meaning, that words which describe the action are confounded with the

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CHAPTER II.

It is generally allowed, that one great difficulty in explaining old authors, lies in the accurate observation of the use of words. For, as in the grammatical laws of a language, no such rigid necessity exists, but that an occasional deviation may be permitted; so in the use of cognate words, a still greater latitude of meaning obtains; for those laws arise from fixed causes, and cannot therefore be lost sight of, unless the causes themselves are removed, (although custom introduces many forms of speech which are contrary to the rule and genius of a language;) but the wider use of particular words is not controlled by certain laws, but is frequently so guided by custom, that not only at different periods, but in writers of the same period, the force of a word materially differs. And this justifies the masters of the hermeneutic school, when they affirm that, next to the grammatical and logical knowledge of a language, regard should be had, especially in rendering the older writers, to the *usus loquendi*, or sense in which particu-

words were received, both generally in the usage in which the book is written, and especially in the writings of its author. And his attempt is not without difficulty in common cases, so is that difficulty considerably increased in the examination of those writers, who have more frequently receded from the customary use of words, whether it be from ignorance of their own language, or from the novelty and magnitude of their subject, which compelled them to a more lax application of the terms already in use. The writers of the New Testament Scriptures were of this

no class of words, however, is the difficulty greater than in those called synonyms; it is, in those which, although they may be referred to one common notion, yet each presents some particular mode and specific mark of the thing signified. For in regard to words, not only must great care be taken that many words should be falsely accounted synonymous; but the determining of those that are synonymous, is rendered extremely difficult; partly because in the natural progress of language the specific force of a word is frequently changed; and partly because the writers, freed from the ambition of mere

in which, certainly, real probity consists; they also are called *δίκαιοι*, who fulfil the offices of humanity, as well as those who observe strict justice. In the New Testament, therefore, not only is he who acts justly and blamelessly called *δίκαιος*, Rom. iii. 10. (so it is affirmed of Christ, Acts iii. 14; vii. 52. 1 Pet. iii. 18.) but he also who is benign and tender, equitable and clement. So Joseph, Matth. i. 19., is said to be *δίκαιος*, because he was unwilling to expose his wife to public ignominy; and so God himself, because he pardons sinners, Rom. iii. 26. 1 John i. 9. Many think that this signification of *δίκαιος* in the New Testament, springs from the Hebrew, in which *צַדִּיק* often denotes the same with *חַסֵּד*.^a But even among

^a There can be no good ground for this idea. Among the scores of instances in which *צַדִּיק* is rendered in the LXX. *δίκαιος*, we find but one instance in which that version puts *δίκαιος* for *חַסֵּד*, viz. in Isaiah lvii. 1. *καὶ ἄνδρες δίκαιοι ἀπεθνήσκουσιν*. And here there is no propriety in the rendering; it very improperly confounds two different words in the verse, and destroys its beauty. Our English version draws the correct distinction. "The righteous *צַדִּיק* perisheth and no man layeth it to heart, and merciful men *חַסֵּד* are taken away," &c. Certainly several passages occur in which the LXX. renders the noun *חַסֵּד* by *δικαιοσύνη*; but even these generally would be better rendered more strictly according to the original notion of mercy in the Hebrew word. Gen. xix. 19. xx. 13. xxi. 23,

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quate to its appointed functions, and perfect in its numbers. There is another notion akin to this, when that is said to be *δίκαιος*, which preserves uniformity and consistency in all its parts." Hence, in Xenoph. Cyrop. ii. 2. 26, a chariot is said not to be *δίκαιος*, that is, it would not keep an even course, when drawn by horses of unequal strength or swiftness. Wherefore, *δίκαιος* often signifies that which is fit and suitable, as *γῆ δίκαια*, in Pollux i. 227; and *γῆδιον δίκαιύτατον* Cyrop. viii. 3, 38,^o is not the most fertile soil, but the most congenial. The Romans used justice or just in this sense, like the German *gerecht*, as expressing that which is proper and fit, that in which there is nothing defective or redundant. But the Jews, whose minds were imbued with the notion of civil justice, only when they sought the blessings of divine grace, had in view justice in its strictest sense, but were totally alien from the sublime moral feeling which we admire in that saying of our blessed Lord, which declares God only to be *ἀγαθός*, good, that is the *summum bonum*.

In the word *δίκαιος* therefore, the notion of just, right, equitable, prevails. In the word *ἀγαθός*, the notion of benefit and utility.

^o See Schneider's edition of Cyrop.—T.

born of a good or bad race. For they are called, unworthy, as the parable plainly declares. And it would be both absurd and unjust, promiscuously to invite men of any condition, and then when they were assembled, with severe rebuke to cast out those who were found to be of an inferior condition. In Romans vii. 12. the commandment is said to be both *δικαία καὶ ἀγαθή* the one, because it teaches nothing but what is just; the other, because it regards the happiness of those to whom it was given, v. 13. In the same way they are opposed in Rom. v. 7, Scarcely for a righteous man (*δικαίου*) would one die, but for a good man (*ἀγαθοῦ*) some would even dare to die. Though a man be free from crime, it is not necessary that he be freed from the risk of suffering; but for a beneficent man, (Matth. xx. 15.) some would not hesitate to die.

Δίκαιος then, is of more extensive meaning than *ἀγαθός* for *δίκαιος* is one who follows the law of right and equity, whether it issues to others in good or ill; but *ἀγαθός* is he who does good to others; and even those who are *πονηροί* may sometimes “give good gifts,” Matth. vii. 11. But since the law of equity requires, that if it is allowable and possible we should do good to all, and not always use our own right,

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All these words so far agree, that they denote purity of mind, blamelessness, and integrity of spirit. They differ, therefore, from *δίκαιος* and *ἀγαθός*, for these have reference more immediately to the reason of acting. It is possible for a man to be *δίκαιος* or *ἀγαθός*, who cannot be said to be *ἅγιος* and *ἄγνός*. But, besides this, these words differ from each other in respect to the way in which that integrity of mind is regarded.

ἅγιος and *ἄγνός*, though they have the same etymological origin, differ in their use. For in *ἄγνός* the proper idea is, that the thing or person is pure, either in body or mind; but the word *ἅγιος* indicates more especially the reverence which is due to such a person or thing. *ἄγνός* properly denotes cleanliness of body, but subsequently, like many similar expressions or ideas, being transferred to the mind, it signifies mental purity. That is *ἄγνόν* in which there is nothing impure. In the *Orestes* of Euripides, l. 1621, *ἄγνις γάρ εἰμι χεῖρας ἀλλ' οὐ τὰς φρένας*. Hippolyt. v. 316, 317, *ἄγνὰς μὲν, ὦ παῖ, χεῖρας αἵματος φέρεις; Χεῖρες μὲν ἄγναι, φρενὴν δ' ἔχει μύασμά τι*. In the first place, it is used for chastity, 2 Cor. xi. 2. Tit. ii. 5. (Plato de Legg. viii. p. 647. E. *μέχρι μὲν παιδογονίας ἡῖδετο, καὶ*

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notes that which is sacred and consecrated to the gods. That, however, in the books of the New Testament it should be used for sanctity of morals is not surprising. For it is well known how careful the Jews were to secure cleanliness in all their sacred rites. That could not be sacred which was in any way polluted. Hence, even in the word קָדֵשׁ the cognate notions of purity and sanctity exist, as will abundantly appear from an examination of Levit. xi. 43, 44, (compared with 1 Pet. i. 16,) Deut. xxiii. 14; 2 Sam. xi. 4; Exod. xix. 22; 2 Chron. v. 11; Isa. lxvi. 17.^a They are in error, therefore, who affirm that the primitive notion of *ἀγίος* is, that which is set apart from vulgar and profane use, and consecrated to

^a One or two seeming instances to the contrary occur in Scripture, in which the word קְדֵשָׁה is used for a harlot, Genesis xxxviii. 21, compared with verse 15, where the more common word זִנָּה is used for the same person. Here, evidently, the idea of consecration is separated from that of purity. The קְדֵשָׁה were the prostitutes consecrated to the service of heathen and idolatrous temples. See also Deut. xxiii. 17; Hosea iv. 14. The general use of the word קָדֵשׁ in Scripture, however, unites both the idea of sanctity and purity. And the anomaly in this other application of the word is explained by the common habit of fallen man both to pollute sacred things, and to throw a veil of religious pretence over impurity; in fact to substitute formal consecration for real holiness.—T.

liar uses. ἅγιος is that which is sacred, and only can be sacred which is not unclean. Hence its various uses in the New Testament may be accurately obtained. In sense, which among the Greek writers ; proper force, viz. that which is sacred, h it is wicked to injure or contemn, ἅγιοςoken in the New Testament of things or ns sacred to God. Rom. xi. 16, ἡ ἀπαρχὴ Luke ii. 23, ἅγιον τῷ κυρίῳ κληθήσεται, of the hets, Luke i. 70 ; Acts iii. 21 ; 2 Pet. i. 21 ; e priesthood, 1 Pet. ii. 5 ; of the Apostles, . iii. 5, 8 ; of the Angels, Matth. xxv. 31 ; ess. iii. 13 ; of places, Acts vii. 33 ; espe- y of Jerusalem, Matth. iv. 5 ; and of the ole ; 1 Cor. iii. 17 ; still more frequently, as : ix. 13, of Christians, (as in Daniel vii. 21. 24. קדשים) Then, it is that which is to be erated or treated with all honour, and pri- ly with respect to God, Apoc. iv. 8. John 11. Luke i. 49. ἀγία γραφή, Rom. i. 2. ἡ ἁγία, which it is impious to violate, e i. 72. 1 Cor. iii. 17. Then the idea of ty being added to this, it frequently de- s that which is free from error and vice, rom actual defilement, 1 Pet. i. 15. 1 John 0. Mark vi. 20. Ephes. i. 4. 1 Cor. vii. 34. et. iii. 12. And in 2 Pet. ii. 21, the com-

mandment is called *ἁγία*, not because it make holy, but because it is holy in itself, and ought to be inviolate. The use is similar in 2 Tim. i. 9, *κλησις ἁγία*; for as *κλησις* involves the notion of inviting to a certain thing, it follows, that with the addition of the adjective, it implies by the adjective, that thing to which invitation is given. And hence *κλησις ἁγία* is not a calling which makes holy, or which contains in itself the energies of piety, still less does it mean the whole Christian doctrine, but it is the actual call to a life of sanctity; for they to whom the *κλησις* comes are invited that they may be *ἅγιοι*. So Hebrews iii. 1, *κλησις ἰσχυράνιος*. Nor is it inevident why the word *ἅγιος* is, in the New Testament, the almost constant epithet of the Spirit. Not that it is invariably associated with the word *πνεῦμα* when something divine is signified. For sometimes *πνεῦμα* stands alone, as Matth. xii. 31; 1 Cor. ii. 4; 1 Tim. iii. 16; 1 Pet. iii. 18; John iii. 34, or the word *θεοῦ* is added, as Matth. xii. 28; 1 Cor. vii. 40; or *τοῦ πατρὸς*, Matth. x. 20, compared with Luke xii. 12. But where *ἅγιος* is added, *πνεῦμα* always denotes something which has been wrought by divine power, or the cause itself by which the effect is produced. In both classes of passages *ἅγιος τὸ πνεῦμα* is said, not only because it is from

God, but because it is in its very nature divine; and, therefore, entirely pure, holy, and worthy of reverence.

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duties which it were virtuous to perform, and wicked to neglect. But the word occurs in a peculiar sense in Acts xiii. 34, δώσω ὑμῖν τὰ ὅσια Δαβὶδ τὰ πιστά. Many interpreters illustrate it by a reference of it to the Hebrew דָּוִד, which the LXX frequently renders by ὅσιος; and they think, therefore, that in this place τὰ ὅσια Δαβὶδ means the mercies promised to David by God, Isa. lv. 3. But they never can properly render ὅσια by mercies or bounties. Paul speaks of a certain thing which it was predicted in Ps. xvi. 10, should happen to David, οὐ δώσεις τὸν ὅσιον σου ἰδαῖν διαφθοράν. This thing, in the words of Isaiah, he calls τὰ ὅσια Δαβὶδ. But in Isaiah it is a term expressive of the covenant that God was about to make with the Jewish people; this covenant is called ὅσια Δαβὶδ, since properly it is made with David. ὥμοσα Δαβὶδ, ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος ἐταμίεω τὸ σπέρμα σου Ps. lxxxix. 3, 4. The ὅσια Δαβὶδ was nothing more than the covenant made with David, who was at that time the head of the Jewish people. The very words of Isaiah which Paul quotes teach this; and I will covenant with you an eternal covenant, τὰ ὅσια Δαβὶδ τὰ πιστά. The subsequent statement shews what covenant is intended. τὰ ὅσια πιστά is the same as ὅρκια πιστά in Homer.

'Ιερός strictly denotes that which is consecrated or sacred, as given or devoted to God.* Whence ἀνίσταται is to consecrate, and ἄφεται they who are consecrated; and is frequently spoken of animals who are devoted to God and wander in a free pasture. (Synes. ii. ep. 57, ἄσπις ἐν ἱερῷ περιβόλῃ τῷ κόσμῳ ζῶον ἄφεται, ἀνειμένον ζῶν.) Therefore in the word ἱερός, which is accurately rendered sacred, nothing is intended but that the person or thing is sacred to God, irrespective of mind or morals; but especially that it subserves a sacred purpose, as the temple in the New Testament, as the sacred things themselves, in 1 Cor. ix. 13, and repeatedly in Homer and other writers. It is not used in the New Testament of moral habits. Those who, in this sense, are said to be sacred to God, are called ἄγιοι. See Valesius ad Harpocrat. p. 143. Valckenar. ad Ammon. p. 184, s. et vv. dd. ad Hesychius v. ὁσίους. Taylor. ad Aeschin. p. 50.

Καθαρός is used to express a mind or a life free from vice; and sometimes those things which they who use them do not defile them-

* Suidas, ἱερόν ἅγιον, τῷ θεῷ ἀνατεθειμένον, and the Editor of Suidas refers this definition to the Schol. on Aristophanes.—T.

selves with, as Luke xi. 41; Matt. xxiii. 19; Rom. xiv. 20; Tit. i. 15; Heb. x. 22. Now the καθαρόν is that in which nothing sordid or base is intermixed, Matt. v. 8; καθαρά συνείδησις, 1 Tim. iii. 9, θρησκεία καθάρá, James i. 27. καθάρός therefore is spoken of purity of mind, as ἀγνός, and yet there is a degree of difference. For in καθάρός it is implied that there is no foreign admixture or addition that affects the use or the senses, so as to render the person or thing unfit or objectionable, as dirt or stain, odour, colour, or any useless thing whatever. The dying words of Cyrus, in the Cyroped. viii. 7, strikingly illustrate this idea, οὐδὲ γι ὅπως ἄφρων ἔσται ἡ ψυχὴ, ἐπειδὴν τοῦ ἄφρονος σώματος δίχα γένηται, οὐδὲ τοῦτο πέπεισμαι ἀλλ' ὅταν ἄκρατος καὶ καθάρὸς ὁ νοῦς ἐκκριθῇ, τότε καὶ φρονιμώτατον εἶναι αὐτὸν εἶναι. And as Xenoph. Oecon. x. 7, calls a body, καθαρόν σῶμα, not because it is free from defilement, but from every false adornment; so James uses θρησκεία καθάρá for that in which there is no mixture of falsehood. Very nearly allied, however, to this word is ἀμίαντος, which James, in this passage, uses in conjunction with καθάρός, (Compare Heb. xiii. 4.) Yet if they had not been different in sense, they would not have been used together. Certain-

o be καθαρός a man must be ἀμώαντος. For
 ess he is immaculate he cannot be pure. In
 πρὸς then we find the cause of the καθαρός.
 πρὸς then has a more extensive signification
 ἁγνός. For to it the thought of impurity
 necessary. It is freedom from impurity;
 any thing may be said to be καθαρός in
 ch there is no foreign admixture, whether
 e itself good or evil. ἁγνός is that which is
 contaminated by any thing in itself really
 . But wine, though it be combined with
 purest water, can no longer be said to be
 πρὸς. That which is ἁγνός is necessarily κα-
 ς but many things that are καθαροί are far
 ugh from being ἁγνοί.

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 rence to the human soul and life, may be
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 g which would change or corrupt the na-
 of the subject with which it is combined;
 ; is pure from every defilement of mind,
 is pure from crime or impious deed; ἁγίος
 at which, on account of integrity of mind
 morals, is sacred to God and revered; and
 lly, ἱερός is simply that which is consecrated
 r set apart for God; καθαρός is pure, imma-
 te; ἁγνός is chaste, clean, sinless; ὁσιος is

logous terms, that the same word may not occur in the same period, or even in the same page ; although the example of the best writers shews that true elegance consists in the precision with which each word is applied to express its particular idea. For they who write accurately, do not use even the smallest particles indiscriminately, however trivial the difference between any two may appear ; nor do they hesitate to use the same word often in the same passage, if the same notion is to be conveyed ; for there are scarcely two words in any language, which signify precisely the same thing. But since many maintain the opinion, that the New Testament writers are not so elegant as some, and consider that they have used many similar words promiscuously, we grant to them this far, that the specific force of synonyms must not be pressed in every place, so that we should always expect to trace an emphatic sense ; or that we should curiously search out the difference of each word as conveying a special force to the passage ; for this is beyond the powers of the most able and polished writer ; yet at the same time we think that in the writings of men, who do not appear so particular as others in the choice of words, the investigation of synonymous terms is more decidedly required. For those who

labour their style of writing closely, are wont to select words more for the sake of ornament, and therefore frequently indulge an interchange of synonyms; whilst they who are unpractised in writing as an art, generally use words which common custom has affixed to the thing that they mean; and hence it occurs, that men who make use of common language, accumulate in their compositions, a greater number of synonyms than more learned men; for they are accustomed to view each thing in its peculiarities, rather than to generalize and to abstract. And this custom must be diligently noted in interpreting the sacred writers; as it is too evident that, through neglect of it, commentators have rashly and carelessly adduced from their accurate and specific sentences, only some jejune and common place thought. For it often happens, that although the sacred writers were strangers to that elegance of style which is formed artificially by study and practice, yet their true meaning cannot be ascertained, unless we accurately make out the precise and specific signification of every word used. This is especially true with respect to the particles, the force of which has been sadly neglected by the Lexicographers of the New Testament. For instance, we read *in the Lexicons* that,

ἄχρι and *μέχρι*

do not differ, and they adduce the authority of Eustathius, who says, p. 1062, γίνεται τὸ ἄχρις ἀπὸ τοῦ μέχρις ἀποβολῇ τοῦ μὲν καὶ τροπῇ τοῦ φωνήεντος. Eustathius, however, means nothing more than that ἄχρις is formed from μέχρις; not that they mean the same thing. For who would affirm that it would have been the same thing, if, in Rom. v. 13, 14, the Apostle had written μέχρις γὰρ νόμου ἁμαρτία ἦν ἐν κόσμῳ and ver. 14, ἀπὸ Ἀδάμ ἄχρι Μωσέως. It must be generally evident that a different idea would then be expressed from that of the Apostle, who wrote ἄχρις νόμου i. e. before the law was brought in, and μέχρις Μωσέως i. e. until Moses had brought in the law. Rightly therefore is it written ἄχρις γὰρ νόμου ἁμαρτία ἦν, for the ἁμαρτία existed before the law. But in ver. 14, it is said ἐβασίλευσεν ὁ θάνατος μέχρις Μωσέως, not because death had ceased to reign from the time of Moses, but because it continued through the whole of that period, (μὴ ὄντος νόμου) which period closed with Moses. For neither did he wish to say that death reigned both before Moses and after Moses; but that it reigned before Moses, μὴ ὄντος νόμου. Evidently then the word ἄχρις involves more especially the idea of the whole time or place in which any thing is done; and the use of the *genitive case* denotes the thing or event be-

expression. The same *λέχος* of Menelaus is, in one place, said to be preserved *ἀκέραιος*, and in the other, *ἀκήρατος*. It does not, however, follow from this, that *ἀκέραιος* and *ἀκήρατος* have the same meaning. It is one thing for two words to be predicated mutually of the same thing, since what the one accords with, the other may accord with also; and it is another thing for them to have precisely the same signification. In the neglect of this difference, the lexicographers of the New Testament have very frequently erred. But to return. *Ἀκέραιος*, therefore, when it is spoken of mind, signifies, simple, entirely free from false or evil admixture. Euripid. *Orest.* v. 912. *Ξυνητὸς δὲ χωρεῖν ὁμόσε τοῖς λόγοις θέλων, Ἀκέραιος, ἀνεπίληπτον ἡσκηκῶς βίον*, evidently in the same sense as *Matth.* x. 16. *φρόνιμοι ὡς αἱ ὄφεις, καὶ ἀκέραιοι ὡς αἱ περιστεραί*; and *Romans* xvi 19. *σοφοὺς μὲν εἰς τὸ ἀγαθόν, ἀκεραίους δὲ εἰς τὸ κακόν*, i. e. wise towards that which is good, and free from all evil. *Phil.* ii. 15. *ἄμεμπτοι καὶ ἀκέραιοι*.

Finally, *ἄκακος* is he who is both free altogether from the influence of evil counsel *κακία*, and who fears no evil from others, as it is commonly said, simple and ingenuous, both these ideas exist in the word *ἄκακος*; one who neither purposes evil nor suspects it, since he

is altogether alien to it. See Ruhnken. ad Tim. v. ἄκακος. It does not denote every species of simplicity, but that ingenuous simplicity which exists in an upright mind, free from suspicions. So in Romans xvi. 18, ἐξαπατῶσι τὰς καρδίας τῶν ἀπάκων. Such men are easily deceived. Plato Alcibiad. ii. p. 81. οἱ μὲν μεγαλοψύχους [καλοῦσιν] οἱ δὲ εὐήθεις. ἕτεροι δὲ ἀκάκους καὶ ἀπίρους καὶ ἐνέους.⁷ Sometimes, however, it is used in the former sense, to denote a man free from all evil, Heb. vii. 26.

Ἀπλοῦς therefore is free from all duplicity, ἀκέραιος, unmixed with evil, ἄκακος, free from all evil suspicion, ἀπλοῦς is open, sincere, ἀκέραιος blameless, ἄκακος ingenuous; and all of them imply simplicity.

ἄμμεμπτος ἄμωμος (ἀνεπίληπτος ἀνέγκλητος)

ἄμμεμπτος and ἄμωμος are both expressions for freedom from blame; they however differ. He is ἄμμεμπτος, in whom nothing is yet accounted wanting; ἄμωμος, he in whom there is nothing reprehensible. Each is free from reprehension: the former, as perfect and absolute in all his numerical parts; the latter as devoid of error. Hence a law which is ἄμμεμπτος Heb. viii. 7, is a law which cannot be found fault with,

⁷ See Plato Dial. ex recensione Bekkeri, Part I. vol. ii. p. 276.—T.

because there is nothing wanting to it, which ought to be there; it answers all the purposes of a law. Whilst, on the other hand, Peter, in Epist. 1. i. 19. speaks of Christ as of a lamb, ἀμώμου καὶ ἀσπίλου, inasmuch as he was without any spot of defilement. We have also in this sense, ἀμώμους καὶ ἀνεγκλήτους in Coloss. i. 22. Nor, does the sense of the word differ in that very difficult passage in Hebrews ix. 14, ὃς διὰ πνεύματος αἰωνίου ἑαυτὸν προσήνεγκεν ἄμωμον τῷ Θεῷ, where ἄμωμος does not relate to a perfect expiation in which there is nothing wanting; but this is the idea of the Apostle; that we are to be purged from all impurity by the blood of Christ, who by the eternal spirit (i. e. by the δύναμιν ζωῆς ἀπαταλύτου, Heb. vii. 16.) offered himself a victim, uncontaminated and immaculate* (*omni macula carentem*) and in Ephes.

* That is, not that by the sanctifying influence of the Holy Spirit, operating as in the case of fallen and corrupt men, he succeeded to present, i. e. to make himself, without spot, notwithstanding his tendencies to sin; an error which has lately crept in among us; but that he being a divine person, and therefore immaculate and uncontaminated, did by the Holy Spirit offer himself a victim, and, on account of that immaculacy, a fitting victim. This is a beautiful instance, in which accurate exegesis throws a very valuable light on a question, at once of much interest and much difficulty. Had the Christ been in his human nature corrupt and sinful, he could not be ἄμωμος; for that corrupt nature in us, is itself

v. 27. the church is therefore said to be made *ἀγία καὶ ἁμωμος*, ἢ μὴ ἔχουσα σπίλον ἢ ἑντίδα, ἢ τι τῶν ταιούτων. For *μῶμος* properly is a shame, stain, or disgrace, visibly attached to any thing.

But the idea of the word *ἄμεμπτος* sets forth one who cannot be blamed, because nothing is wanting to him, for which, if wanting, he would deservedly incur blame. Hence in 1 Thess. v. 23. Paul desires to be preserved *ἄμεμπτως* until the coming of the Lord, and in c. ii. 10. he says, *ὁσίως καὶ δικαίως καὶ ἀμέμπτως ὑμῶν ἐγενήθημεν*; showing in the subsequent verse, that he had not failed in his duty towards one of them. He had acted *ἀμέμπτως* because he had done no less than it was right that he should do. So *ἀμέμπτως δῶρα διδόναι*, Xenoph. H. G. I, i. 10. *ἀμέμπτως δέχεσθαι τοὺς ἄνδρας* Cyrop. iv. 2. 18. *ἄμεμπτον δεῖπνον* Sympos. 2, 2. Although, *ἄμεμπτος* is sometimes used in both senses, especially by the Attic writers, who, even in administering reproof, are more polished in their style than others. They seldom make use of the other word, because it would appear a higher style of praise to

the *μωμος*, or stain which renders us unacceptable in ourselves; but in that holy thing which was conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, we are *μὴ ἔχουσα σπίλον*, &c. He is, as a divine person from first to last, *ἁμωμος*; and we are so in him.—T.

use a word, which not only implies that no spot or stain exists, but that nothing is wanting which could properly be desired.

ἀνέγκλητος and *ἀνεπίληπτος* are cognate words. He is *ἀνέγκλητος* who is not accused, and cannot properly be accused by any one. But in 1 Tim. iii. 2. the Apostle, says the Christian Pastor should be *ἀνεπίληπτος*, i. e. one in whom no *just* cause of blame exists. Whilst in v. 10. the word *ἀνέγκλητος* is used to infer, that in *δοκιμασία*, i. e. as the result of public investigation, in *der öffentlichen umfrage*, he stands unaccused. For it was the custom even in apostolic times, to constitute the minister by the consent of the church, that is of the people.* The people therefore were interrogated,

* It is surprising how far men's peculiar preconceived notions will carry them. The author sees a popular appointment of a candidate to be a minister, in the mere popular investigation into character, even if the *δοκιμασία* can be explained in that way. He loses sight of the fact, that the whole of the passage is an injunction to an individual, to Timothy, the prelate, v. 15. how he is to conduct himself in the church of God, so that, c. v. 22. he may not lay hands rashly on any man, and become a partaker in other men's sins. The rule here laid down for the *δοκιμασία*, even stretched to the uttermost, will be found very much in accordance with the church of England custom, of reading a paper in the congregation where the candidate customarily worshipped, called a *si quis*, intimating *si quis*, &c. If any

as to whether any subject of reprehension was found in the candidate, and if he was found *ἀνέγκλητος* he was ordained. This is the true observation of Grotius de imperio summar. potest. circa sacra c. 10. § 8. *ἀνεπίληπτος*, i. e. who gives no cause for reprehension, *μὴ παρέχων κατηγορίας ἀφορμήν*. (Schol. Thucyd. v. 17.) So 1 Tim. iii. 2, and in vi. 14. *ἄσπιλον καὶ ἀνεπίληπτον*; *ἀνεπίληπτος* because *ἄσπιλος*. The word, however, differs from the others. For as *ἄμειπτοι* and *ἄμωμοι* denote those who are not blamed, *ἀνεπίληπτος* denotes one, who though he is blamed is undeserving of it. In Lucian. Pisc. 8. Tom. 1 p. 377. a man blamed and accused, when called on to defend himself says, *εἰ μὲν τι ἀδικῶν φαίνωμαι—ἦν δὲ καθαρὸς ὑμῖν καὶ ἀνεπίληπτος εὐρίσκωμαι*. At times, however, this word is used in a more lax sense, regard being had only to the fact of blame, and not to the real force of the cause of it; for the *ἄμειπτοι* and *ἄμωμοι*, are but few, but the *ἀνεπίληπτοι* are few indeed.

one knows any thing against him that he is to declare it. But all notion of authority on the part of the people, as founded on this passage of Scripture, in the matter is a mere invention. The scrutiny of character might be a popular matter, and the choice of ministers already ordained to be pastors of particular churches might be so too, and probably was; but the ordination, as a matter of right, in the primitive church was entirely vested in the clerical order.—T.

CHAPTER III.

IN a former notice of some obvious synonyms in the New Testament, it was observed that the distinction between synonymous terms, must not be so pressed in every instance, as that we shall be chiefly playing on the force of particular terms; yet that, in seeking an accurate interpretation, we should observe diligently the minute differences of words, lest in any passage in which the author aimed at a nice distinction of idea, it should be lost sight of through inaccuracy. This remark, however, in the hands of one little familiarized with the nicer beauties of style, may be easily so far perverted as to induce him to affirm, that all inquiry into the differences between synonyms is utterly useless. For, if even the sacred writers often use synonymous terms promiscuously, and that it evidently matters little whether they used the one word or the other, it were scarcely worth while to attempt to discriminate accurately between them. And there are certainly many writers, who consider elegance of style to consist in the not frequently using the same word, but rather in *substituting another*, in an interchange of ana-

expresses an existence in all time past, and which yet has not an end; but αἰώνιος only that of which no end is conceived. Therefore, αἰδιος sometimes denotes both, as Rom. i. 30, αἰδιος αὐτοῦ δύναμις καὶ θεότης; and sometimes that which, although it had a beginning, yet is not considered to have an end, as Jud. v. 6, δεσμοῖς αἰδίοις; and Diodorus Sicul. i. 51, τάρους αἰδίου οἴκου προσαγορεύουσιν.

On the contrary, αἰώνιος, although it may appear to be capable of denoting all duration throughout all ages; yet strictly in the New Testament, it is used of duration through all future time. So continually it occurs in conjunction with ζωή, δόξα, κρίσις, τιμὴ, κόλασις, λύτρωσις, πληρονομία, βασιλεία, κρίμα, πῦρ: (2 Cor. iv. 18, τὰ αἰώνια opposed to πρόσκαιρα.) Whence it is quite needless to argue about this word, and to show more fully that it is not always used absolutely of eternity. But there are passages in which αἰώνιος is applied to that which endures for a long period;* as Rom.

brought forth," &c. וּמֵעַלְמָ עַד-עַלְמָ אַתָּה אֵל "from everlasting to everlasting thou art God." It is somewhat remarkable that the Latin adverb, *olim*, which is the same word, **עַלְמָ**, has retained both senses from its etymon, and not only refers to past time but to future. "Et hæc olim meminisse juvabit." *Virgil.*—*T.*

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labour their style of writing closely, are wont to select words more for the sake of ornament, and therefore frequently indulge an interchange of synonyms; whilst they who are unpractised in writing as an art, generally use words which common custom has affixed to the thing that they mean; and hence it occurs, that men who make use of common language, accumulate in their compositions, a greater number of synonyms than more learned men; for they are accustomed to view each thing in its peculiarities, rather than to generalize and to abstract. And this custom must be diligently noted in interpreting the sacred writers; as it is too evident that, through neglect of it, commentators have rashly and carelessly adduced from their accurate and specific sentences, only some jejune and common place thought. For it often happens, that although the sacred writers were strangers to that elegance of style which is formed artificially by study and practice, yet their true meaning cannot be ascertained, unless we accurately make out the precise and specific signification of every word used. This is especially true with respect to the particles, the force of which has been sadly neglected by the Lexicographers of the New Testament. For instance, *we read in the Lexicons that,*

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do not differ, and they adduce the authority of Eustathius, who says, p. 1062, γίνεται τὸ ἄχρις ἀπὸ τοῦ μέχρις ἀποβολῇ τοῦ μὲν καὶ τροπῇ τοῦ φωνήεντος. Eustathius, however, means nothing more than that ἄχρις is formed from μέχρις; not that they mean the same thing. For who would affirm that it would have been the same thing, if, in Rom. v. 13, 14, the Apostle had written μέχρις γὰρ νόμου ἁμαρτία ἦν ἐν κόσμῳ and ver. 14, ἀπὸ Ἀδάμ ἄχρι Μωσέως. It must be generally evident that a different idea would then be expressed from that of the Apostle, who wrote ἄχρι νόμου i. e. before the law was brought in, and μέχρις Μωσέως i. e. until Moses had brought in the law. Rightly therefore is it written ἄχρι γὰρ νόμου ἁμαρτία ἦν, for the ἁμαρτία existed before the law. But in ver. 14, it is said ἐβασίλευσεν ὁ θάνατος μέχρις Μωσέως, not because death had ceased to reign from the time of Moses, but because it continued through the whole of that period, (μὴ ὄντος νόμου) which period closed with Moses. For neither did he wish to say that death reigned both before Moses and after Moses; but that it reigned before Moses, μὴ ὄντος νόμου. Evidently then the word ἄχρι involves more especially the idea of the whole time or place in which any thing is done; and the use of the *genitive* case denotes the thing or event be-

observation of the usage with respect to them ; for the reason of that difference is but seldom to be sought with success in their etymology,^f especially among the New Testament writers. These words, therefore, so far agree, as that they have each in them a common notion of a time in which something is conceived to be, or to have been, done. Yet they differ ; for χρόνος and αἰών have the notion of indefinite time ; ὥρα denotes a certain and definite space of time, (as it were ὄρος, *terminus*. καιρός is *the* time, that is, the opportune point of time, the very time at which a thing should be done. But even χρόνος and αἰών differ ; for αἰών signifies an

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This is an invaluable remark, and founded upon a very acute, minute criticism, which directly illustrates its truth. No man who has been much among the theologians, so called, of the present day, will fail to perceive the importance of this observation, if his own mind has been in measure trained to correct exegesis. The wild and infinitely varied and varying notions of men on Scriptural truth, if they have not their source in this habit of lax and inaccurate construing, at least, find in it their pa-

But to return. It is written in Luke iv. 13, ἀπίστη ἀπ' αὐτοῦ ὁ διάβολος ἄχρι καιροῦ. It was seen that this could not be rendered, for a certain time. Therefore, the lexicographers say, that ἄχρι denotes the same as the Latin *usque*, and they render ἄχρι καιροῦ, *ab hoc ipso tempore*. But they never can demonstrate ἄχρι καιροῦ τινος to be *ab hoc tempore*, nor that *usque* is used in that sense. For it is not said ἄχρις ἀπίστη ἀπ' αὐτοῦ, but ἄχρι καιροῦ. But μέχρι καιροῦ differs from ἄχρι καιροῦ. In Heb. ix. 10, it is said, μέχρι καιροῦ διορθώσεως ἐπικείμενα, i. e. εἰς τὸν καιρὸν τὸν ἐνεστηκότα, v. 9. Therefore, μέχρι καιροῦ denotes up to a certain time, scil. for sometime, as often μέχρι καιρῶν, μέχρι τινός, (whence μέχρι παντός, always, Charit. v. 4. Aristaenet. ii. 14.) s. ἕως καιροῦ (τινός) Sirac. i. 23, 24; Dan. vii. 12. ἕως χρόνου καὶ καιροῦ. But ἄχρι καιροῦ is ἕως τέλους, s. μέχρι τέλους. Clearly then ἄχρι, as we have before said, denotes not the end, but the duration, or the whole period of time, in which the thing in question continues; but μέχρι design-

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But, since opportunity is generally fleeting, and of very short duration, as Pindar. says, ὁ γὰρ καιρὸς πρὸς ἀνθρώπων βραχὺ μέτρον ἔχει, therefore, πρὸς καιρὸν means, at a time, considered as no longer enduring than while the opportunity contemplated lasts; as Luke viii. 13, οἱ πρὸς καιρὸν πιστεύοντες, are they who believed for a time, while it was convenient, and no danger threatened; but ἐν καιρῷ πυρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται. And now we may explain that singular formula, which occurs in Apoc. xii. 14, καιρὸν καὶ καιροὺς καὶ ἥμισυ καιροῦ. It is usually rendered, three years and a half; and rightly; for the same space of time is, in ver. 6, and c. xi. 3, spoken of, as ἡμέρας χιλίας διακοσίας ἐξήκοντα; and in xi. 2, μῆνας τεσσαράκοντα δύο. But that this number is used for any space of time, according to the Hebrew mode, is evident. (see Eichhorn on Apoc. xi. 2.) And, therefore, καιρὸς, in this place, is not

thus rendered it. "*Ich sehe, dass ihr Frist suchet.*" But the idea is the same here also. "I know that you accurately watch the time." They knew that the king had forgotten his dream, and therefore, they asked him to tell it, not so much for the purpose of delay, as with a view to avoid the necessity of giving the interpretation. [The idea is, in my opinion, more directly expressed in the Chaldee, and well rendered in our English version. "I know that ye would gain the time." זבן די עדנא אנתן זבנך *emere, acquirere.*]

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mula can be referred to this idea,) but how, before the past ages, can be the same as, from the most ancient times, this they do not show, neither can they. The matter is very plain, *αἰώνιος* is that which endures through the *αἰών*; *χρόνοι αἰώνιοι*, therefore, are those successive periods which fill up or constitute the *αἰών* or created time, and *πρὸ χρόνων αἰώνιων* is before those remote times, before the longest time of which memory remains, heretofore, long ago. But this leads us to consider the terms ;

αἰὼν χρόνος ὥρα καιρός.

And we doubt not, but that the remark will be made by some one, that these words so far differ, that they cannot be accounted synonymous ; for, that *ὥρα* does not denote time generally, but only a definite part of the day, and that *καιρός*, properly means, opportunity. Yet it is generally known that there are, in all languages, many words, to which usage and custom have affixed a force which was peculiar to other words, and have thus converted into synonyms, words which originally had a separate and specific signification. And in words of this kind, which are thus accounted synonymous, this is the greatest difficulty, that the ascertaining the distinction between them as synonyms, depends mainly upon the accurate

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^k So also Rom. xii. 11, he renders the words *τῷ καιρῷ δουλεύοντες*, which reading, by the by, though admitted by Griesbach, has always appeared to me doubtful.

^l The same formula occurs in the LXX. Dan ii. 8. Lu-

But, since opportunity is generally fleeting, and of very short duration, as Pindar says, ὁ γὰρ καιρὸς πρὸς ἀνθρώπων βραχὺ μέτρον ἔχει, therefore, πρὸς καιρόν means, at a time, considered as no longer enduring than while the opportunity contemplated lasts; as Luke viii. 13, οἱ πρὸς καιρὸν πιστεύοντες, are they who believed for a time, while it was convenient, and no danger threatened; but ἐν καιρῷ πυρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται. And now we may explain that singular formula, which occurs in Apoc. xii. 14, καιρὸν καὶ καιροὺς καὶ ἡμῶν καιροῦ. It is usually rendered, three years and a half; and rightly; for the same space of time is, in ver. 6, and c. xi. 3, spoken of, as ἡμέρας χιλίας διακοσίας ἐξήκοντα; and in xi. 2, μῆνας τεσσαράκοντα δύο. But that this number is used for any space of time, according to the Hebrew mode, is evident. (see Eichhorn on Apoc. xi. 2.) And, therefore, καιρός, in this place, is not

thus rendered it. "*Ich sehe, dass ihr Frist sucht.*" But the idea is the same here also. "I know that you accurately watch the time." They knew that the king had forgotten his dream, and therefore, they asked him to tell it, not so much for the purpose of delay, as with a view to avoid the necessity of giving the interpretation. [The idea is, in my opinion, more directly expressed in the Chaldee, and well rendered in our English version. "I know that ye would gain the time." זבן די עדנא אנתן זבנן *emere, acquirere.*]

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a year, but is said of the time of a year. For there is a difference, when a word is predicated of this or that thing, and when it actually denotes that thing. It is used in Dan. vii. 25; xii. 7. The LXX renders it (compare ver. 11.)^m not of actual years, but of a certain indefinite period of time, according to the usage of prophetic language; for as to the true sense, this formula means no more than, *aliquamdiu*, a good while. Compare James v. 17.

A similar reason obtains in respect to the word ὥρα. For, as ὥρα properly denotes a definite and limited time, we may understand from this, why it may be predicated of any certain specific period, although custom has appropriated it specially to the hours of the day. Nor are they in the right, who say that it

^m The LXX has rendered the Chaldee word ܐܝܢܐ which properly means, time, by *καρὸς*, as Dan. ii. 8. iii. 5, 15. vii. 12, *ἰὼς καρὸν καὶ καρὸς*. the same word is also used for a year, in the iv. 13. vii. 25. xii. 7. And it is curious that the word which they have rendered in c. xii. 7. *eis καρὸν καὶ ἡμῖν καρὸν*, in c. iii. 5, 15, they have rendered ὥρα. But it is possible, that both in Daniel and the Apocalypse, this description of an indefinite time may arise out of a religious reverence for the number seven divided into two parts; or, that it may be referred to that time during which the temple, after it was profaned by Antiochus, was deserted by the Jews. See Josephus Bel. Jud. i. 1, 2, proem. § 7. and 2. Mark x. 3. See Grotius on Daniel vii. 25.

means the least portion of time. For in such passages as Matth. viii. 13; ix. 22; x. 19. Luke xii. 39, 46, no one would think that ὥρα was a moment or mere point of time, when it is evident that he who affirms an event to occur, ἐν τῇ ὥρᾳ ἐχέειν, means a more definite time than if he had said ἐν τῷ χρόνῳ ἐκείνῳ. And though πρὸς ὥραν, may be rendered, a good while, in the same way as πρὸς καιρὸν, yet it were still incorrect to say that ὥρα means any minute portion of time. Certainly when a small part of time is intended, the word ὥρα might be used, for it denotes a small part of the day; and therefore, πρὸς ὥραν is the same as *aliquod tempus*, at some time; but it does not follow from this, that ὥρα is, a little time, generally. There is a difference, however, between πρὸς ὥραν and πρὸς καιρὸν. For that which is said to endure, πρὸς ὥραν, is conceived not to last longer than till the hour is expired, *i. e.* for only a short time; but that which is said to be done, πρὸς καιρὸν, is conceived as being done precisely up to another point of time.

Another formula also differs from πρὸς καιρὸν, viz. πρὸς τὸν καιρὸν. It means, conveniently, as time shall permit. Lucian. i. Deor. Dial. iv. 209. The force of the article may be noticed in the formula, κατὰ καιρὸν Rom. v. 6. See Lucian, i.

Hermot. x. 749. *κατὰ καιρὸν* is, opportunely, in the needful time, to do it, that it be done rightly. When it is said that Christ *κατὰ καιρὸν ἀπέθανε*, it does not mean, at a time fixed of God, but at an opportune time, *zur rechten Zeit*; when we were ἀσθενεῖς. If a definite or appointed time were meant, it would have been *κατὰ τὸν καιρὸν* (αὐτοῦ.) The Greeks, almost in the same sense, use *εἰς καιρὸν*, opposed to *πρὸ καιροῦ*, 1 Cor. iv. 9. *Καιρὸς* means, the moment of time, ὥρα, a portion of time. Therefore, *πρὸς καιρὸν* is, at some certain time, (*auf eine gewisse Zeit*) *πρὸς ὥραν*, for a short time, (*auf eine kurze Zeit*.)

In Galatians ii. 5, *πρὸς ὥραν* is ill rendered by some, as if it were the same as *πρὸς καιρὸν ὥρας*, 1 Thess ii. 17. For, *πρὸς καιρὸν ὥρας*, is not, for a short time, but, for that time, that particular period in which ἐνέκοψεν ἡμᾶς ὁ Σατανᾶς. Luther gives it correctly, *eine Weile* s. *eine Zeit lang*, *aliquamdiu*, for some while, for a specific period. And, finally, ὥρα, by itself, is never the opportune time, opportunity, as *καιρός*; but some word is added, to define and specify that which is uncertain in the notion of ὥρα, time, as John ii. 4; xvi. 21; Mark xiv. 35; John xii. 27. But these things are so manifest, that I need not add another word. And I know not how it is, that only in lexicons of the New Testament such trifling exists.

ἁμαρτία. ἁμάρτημα. παράπτωμα. ἀδικία.
ἀνομία. ἀδίκημα.

The discrimination of synonyms, which is at all times sufficiently difficult, is still more so in words applicable to disposition of mind. For as many virtues or vices are so nearly allied, that the difference cannot easily be pointed out, so the words which represent them are frequently used indiscriminately. It is, however, often very desirable to trace with accuracy that difference. The words above written, so far agree that they have the common notion of sin generally, yet they differ. There is a greater degree of affinity between ἁμαρτία, ἁμάρτημα and παράπτωμα. They involve the notion of vice or fault, which brings blame or injury. But in the first place ἁμαρτία and ἁμάρτημα, differ. For ἁμαρτία properly denotes the innate vice, from which the ἁμάρτημα springs.ⁿ It is true that ἁμαρτία is in

ⁿ It is worth while to endeavour to ascertain the real force of the word ἁμαρτία, a word which, as Titmann states, is used repeatedly for the evil act, but which is also used emphatically, ἡ ἁμαρτία, for the evil principle. Its root or primitive in Greek is probably ἁμαρᾶ which Scapula renders, a duct or canal for water, by which water may flow down upon any place. This will bring it into near connexion with the Hebrew root מנא which is to speak or put forth,

the New Testament used for the vicious act itself, as John viii. 21, 24 ; xvi. 8, 9 ; 2 Pet. i. 9, ii. 14 ;^f but the proper force of the word will be found in many places, especially in the seventh and eighth chapters of Romans. Neither would any one inconsiderately affirm, that in John i. 29, ἀμαρτία had its specific signification. Certainly the Saviour took away not only external sins and iniquities, but ἡ ἀμαρτία the very corruption of the soul itself; for if this be not extirpated, mere propriety of outward conduct, which Melanchthon calls civil right-

to cause to flow. The ἀμαρτία may be regarded as a stream of influence, flowing down upon the human race. There is, however, another Hebrew word nearly allied to this : viz. מַרְרָה which not only carries the idea of an influence, but of an *evil* influence. In all the cognate dialects, Chaldee, Syriac, Arabic, Ethiopic, it has the idea of turpidity and impure commixtion and excitement, muddy confusion in water, acetous fermentation in wine, bitumen arising from hot natural springs, collection of mud or clay brought down by tumultuous waters, bitter and brackish waters, &c. And from hence we derive the Latin *amarus* and the French *amère*. The ἀμαρτία is then a defiling influence, a bitter principle, a principle of disturbance flowing down upon the moral creation of God. It may be noticed, in corroboration of this etymology, that the word *amar* repeatedly occurs in Gaelic, as a river channel, a mill-course, a ditch or canal.—*T*.

^f Those places should be accurately distinguished from each other, in which ἡ ἀμαρτία or ἀμαρτίας occur.

eousness, would be utterly unavailing to real sanctity. In Rom. vii. 7, it is manifest that in the words, ὁ νόμος ἁμαρτία; ἁμαρτία is not the incitement to sin, but that which is in itself evil and vicious. Paul denies that the law is ἁμαρτία, but concedes properly that the law excites to sin: χωρὶς γὰρ νόμου ἁμαρτία νεκρά. But the whole argument in this chapter shows that ἁμαρτία is not the sin or transgression, but the corruption which is by nature in the soul. Some say that ἡ ἁμαρτία is put collectively for all sins, as we say, *die sünde*. But it is evident in the view of the Apostle, that the ἁμαρτία is in us before the ἐπιθυμία; and that for a time sin was dead, but that when the law reigned, sin gave rise to lust and he became κατ' ἐπιβολὴν ἁμαρτωλός. And therefore he does not understand ἁμαρτία to be actual transgression, but, what all who know themselves must perceive, an innate corruption, and τὸν νόμον τῆς ἁμαρτίας ἐν σαρκί. And in Rom. v. 12, sq. it is scarcely to be doubted that ἁμαρτία is used in the same sense. The ἁμαρτία which came by one man, δι' ἑνός, into the world, is distinguished from τὸ τοῦ ἑνός παράπτωμα; and it is not said, that by τὸ παράπτωμα τοῦ ἑνός death came into the world, but ἁμαρτία, and by ἁμαρτία death, and that death came upon all men, for

that all have sinned, which could not be said if death to all arose from the act of Adam. Also it may be said with correctness, *ἁμαρτίαν οὐκ ἔλλογίσθαι, μὴ ὄντος νόμου*, for it is *νεκρὰ χωρὶς τοῦ νόμου*; but it could scarcely be said that *sin* is not imputed. For death reigned before Moses, (v. 14), seeing that all have sinned.

They then are not to be justified, who affirm that the sacred writers, not only in the same passage, but actually in the same formula, use the same word in two different senses. Such an ambiguity is utterly foreign to the simplicity of their writings. Even the frequent interpretation of Hebrews ix. 28, *χωρὶς ἁμαρτίας ὁφθήσεται*, without a piacular sacrifice, is scarcely warrantable. Besides *ἁμαρτία* never denotes sacrifice for sins. For in Hebrews x. 6, *ὀλοκαυτώματα καὶ περὶ ἁμαρτίας οὐκ ἠθέλησας*, the expression is elliptical, and the full terms are *θύσιαν* (s. *προσφορὰν* v. 18.) *περὶ ἁμαρτίας*, i. e. sacrifice offered because of sin. And there is no confirmation of the false rendering obtained, by comparing it with Rom. viii. 4, *πέμψας πρὸς ἁμαρτίας*, i. e. he sent his Son on account of sin, that he might condemn, *κατακρίνη τὴν ἁμαρτίαν*. Now *πέμπειν περὶ τίνος* is so plainly to send on account of any thing, that it is wonderful to see interpreters attempting to bring

any thing further out of so plain and simple an expression. But *ἁμαρτημα* is always used for the actual transgression. Mark iii. 28; iv. 12, Rom. iii. 25; 1 Cor. vi. 18. And *παράπτωμα* differs from both those former words; for although Jerome's distinction is not correct, that *παράπτωμα* means the lapse towards sin, and *ἁμαρτία*, the completed act itself; yet in the word *παράπτωμα* the notion inheres of sin rashly committed as by one unwilling to do an injury; but in *ἁμαρτία* and *ἁμαρτημα* the act is expressed which he who does, does willingly whether he errs in improperly thinking that he is doing right, or whether he acts under the impulse of passion. Elegantly therefore in Matth. vi. 14, 15; xviii. 35, the word *παράπτωμα* is given in preference to the other two; for it is a milder term than *ἁμαρτία* as applicable to a single fault. In Ephes. ii. 1, both words occur. And sometimes, in fact, *παράπτωμα* is used with reference to any transgression, as Rom. iv. 25; 2 Cor. v. 19. But in the important statement in Rom. v. 12, and following verses, the distinction between *ἁμαρτία* and *παράπτωμα* had need to be accurately drawn; and Paul draws it. For the *παρακοή* of Adam he calls, *παράπτωμα*, v. 15, 17, 18, by which the *ἁμαρτία* came into the world; and in verse 20, he says

ἡμεῖς, παρεσῆλθεν ἵνα πλεονάσῃ τὸ παράπτωμα· οὗ δὲ ἐπλεόνασεν ἡ ἁμαρτία, ὑπερεπείσσωσεν ἡ χάρις. But wherefore? why does he not say, οὗ δὲ ἐπλεόνασεν τὸ παράπτωμα? Evidently because it is effected by the law, that those sinful acts which were less criminal, as the mere result of imprudence or of error, now might become more criminal, inasmuch as they who commit them, know themselves to be sinning. But he says, ἐπλεόνασεν ἡ ἁμαρτία· for the ἁμαρτία ἀφορμὴν λαβοῦσα διὰ τῆς ἐντολῆς makes the individual κατ' ὑπερβολὴν ἁμαρτωλός. I am aware that too much stress must not be laid on these nice distinctions; yet it is certainly more satisfactory to follow out, in interpreting the sacred books, these delicate distinctions of the force of terms, than blindly to acquiesce in an ambiguous and misty interpretation. Paul, with the same accuracy of speech, very tenderly in Rom. xi. 11, when, speaking of the Jews rejecting Christ, calls that act παράπτωμα, which our Lord in John xvi. 9, calls ἁμαρτία. It would be a false interpretation to say, that παράπτωμα in this place means the same thing as ἥττημα, which has reference to their misery.^p

^p The etymology of the word ἥττημα will not bear out the author's idea. It is derived from the Hebrew נָחַץ,

ἀδικία, however, and *ἀνομία* differ from all the others. For in them the general notion only of transgression or fault exists. But these words involve the nature of the act, on account of which it is faulty. That is *ἀδικία* by which the *δίκαιον* is injured; that is *ἀνομία* by which the law is violated. For as he properly is *δίκαιος*, who is not what he ought to be, and therefore who violates right; so *ἀδικία* is said of any impropriety which is repugnant to the *καίον*. So 1 John v. 17, *πᾶσα ἀδικία ἁμαρτία*. But in *ἀνομία* the idea properly is the non-observance,

occare, errare, and which occurs in the same sense in Syriac and Chaldee. In Arabic also *حط* and *خطي*. And in the Ethiopic it is used not only in this sense, but in that which more commonly is attached to it in Greek, of *ficit, indiguit, orbatus est*. This etymology is confirmed also by the occurrence of the word in Greek, in both forms *ἡττάομαι* and *ἡσσάομαι*, a difference evidently originating in the soft sound of *ψ*, in Hebrew, and *ל* in Arabic, which passes easily either into the *σ*, or *τ*. And in fact the dominant idea of *ἡττα* or *ἡσσα* is that of *moral inferiority*. So *πάν οἶνον, ἡσσων ἡδονῶν*. Schleusner says, *ἡτταῖσθαι eleganter* *his usurpatur, qui cupiditatibus pravis indulgent et vitio-ati serviunt*. This, however, is the primary idea, and not, as he states, secondary and derived. The meaning therefore *ἡττημα* in the passage referred to, would be that of *moral deterioration or depression in consequence of fault*. "If their error be the riches of the world, and their *degradation* be enriching of the nations."—*T*

vance or transgression of the law, whether the law be unknown or wilfully violated. He is *ἄνομος*, strictly speaking, who has not the law, Acts ii. 23. 1 Cor. ix. 21; and then subsequently who regards not the law, and who violates the law. *ἀνομία* is the violation of law, *ἀδικία* the doing contrary to right. And *ἀδικία* has the wider sense. It may be conceived of without a law, but there can be no *ἀνομία* without *ἀδικία*. See Xenoph. Memor. iv. 4. 12, 13. Finally, *ἀδικήμα* is that which is done in *ἀδικία*, which is unjustly done, Acts xviii. 14, xxiv. 20. Apoc. xviii. 5. Xenoph. Memorab. ii. 2, 3. αἱ πόλεις ἐπὶ τοῖς μεγίστοις ἀδικήμασι ζημίαν θάνατον πεποιθήκασιν, ὥς οὐκ ἂν μείζονος κακοῦ φόβῳ τὴν ἀδικίαν παύσοντες.

CHAPTER IV.

ALL real adepts of the hermeneutic art have taught latterly, that, in interpreting old writings, not only must regard be had to the common usage of words, but that the extreme nicety of discernment consisted in noticing diligently the mode of speaking peculiar to each author. This remark is more abundantly confirmed, in the rendering of the New Testament. At the same time, the observance of it is combined with greater difficulties than has been generally supposed. For in other Greek writers, the more ornamented style was conformed to the more polished forms of speech, which, though they may undergo some change from diversity of dialect, follow as to the use of words a permanent and unwarying rule. But the style of the sacred writers, neither corrected by literary study, nor by the practice of writing adapted to the modes of general and popular thought and diction; and, as it were, overwhelmed by the greatness of those new announcements, for the expression of which all

wonted language would appear inadequate, renders the observation of the use of words more difficult, and requires a more minute scrutiny than that of works more artificially composed. This remark, which is applicable in many respects, is peculiarly so with reference to the use of synonyms. For it was truly said, that he only could rightly understand and feel the elegance of the Greek writers, who could learn to distinguish the various shades of style, by means of the synonymous terms, as a delicate tint arising out of the intermixture of a multitude of subtle atomic particles. What then are we to do with those writers, of whom all agree that they were altogether strangers to those subtleties of composition; whilst many believe them to have been so barbarous, as scarcely to allow that they spoke the Greek language at all? Certainly if the sacred writers had no regard to the rules of the Greek language, especially to that of analogy, then their writings might be interpreted without any consideration of those rules; so that he might be accounted the best interpreter of Holy Scripture, who, neglecting the laws of Greek composition, should investigate this barbarous mode of speech by the opinions and customs of this age. But that

is were a most improper mode of procedure, proved in a variety of ways, more especially the diligent observation of the synonymous terms; for this shows plainly that the style of the sacred writers, although very far from assessing Attic elegance, and full of those defects which may always be detected in those who have acquired a language by actual use, rather than by study, abounds with acute thought and accuracy of expression; so that he who would attain to the full perception of the simplicity of the sacred writers, which shines most conspicuously in their simplicity, would do well to compare them with the compositions of those authors who have thought and spoken most acutely.

And, in pursuing our inquiries, these sacred texts will direct our choice of the words best fitted for observation. For the great truth which, on the feast of our Lord's nativity, Christians would desire to commemorate, is contained in John iii. 16: "God so loved, ἀγαπήσεν, the world that he gave his only begotten Son," &c. Let us direct our attention therefore to this point, and consider what is the force of the word ἀγαπήν which John uses, and in what respect it differs from the cognate word φιλεῖν.

Ἀγαπήν φιλεῖν.

The accordance in some measure of these two words, is sufficiently plain. But some deny that they at all differ, on the ground that words which express the same affection of mind, are frequently used indiscriminately. That they differ, however, will appear from the fact, that each word has certain meanings peculiar to itself, and which the other will not admit. For if in both words the same precise idea existed, both would be used of the same things. But the usage is otherwise.⁹ For as φιλεῖν properly

⁹ φίλος, from whence φιλεῖν, from φίω, or according to others from πίω, to press, is he whom we embrace, kiss, cherish. Vid. Etymol. 794. 12. 777. 778. Eustath. p. 1583. 56. φιλεῖν τὸ ἀγαπᾶν καὶ τὸ τοῖς χείλεσιν ἀσπάζεσθαι, καὶ τὸ τὰ χεῖλη συμβάλλειν. conf. 1799. 51. Vid. Ev. Scheidius ad Lennep. Etymolog. p. 1063. But ἀγαπᾶν, which appears to be derived from ἀγάω, ἀγάπη, denotes properly the love that springs from admiration and veneration; and from this the other notions of the word flow, as to cherish, to receive kindly, to acquiesce, &c. Hesychius gives correctly, φιλεῖ κατὰ ψυχὴν ἀγαπᾶ. It is evident, therefore, why friendship is called φιλία not ἀγάπη. It denotes an intimate union of souls.

[There is great probability that φιλεῖν, strictly to kiss, and πίω or πίνω, to drink, and πείω to persuade, are all derivatives from π, the mouth. And that ἀγαπᾶν, is derived from אָהַב *amare* by the natural substitution of γ, as a harder sound for the mere aspiration ה. We find in several passages of Scripture, the word אָהַבָה, *amor*, which, by the accommodation of the sound of the second radical to the style

means, *to kiss*, and ἀγαπᾶν never has this sense, so has ἀγαπᾶν its peculiar meaning *to be satisfied, to acquiesce*, in which sense φιλεῖν is never used. Moreover, if these words were precisely similar, there would be no distinction made by the more elegant writers, as Xenophon, Plato and others. For although in the Memorab. ii. 7, 9, 12, they are twice apparently interchanged σὺ μὲν ἐκέῃνας φιλήσεις—ἐκεῖναι δὲ σε ἀγαπήσουσιν and a little further on, καὶ αἱ μὲν αὐτὸν ἐφίλουν, ὁ δὲ αὐτὰς ἠγάπα, yet he would greatly err, who should conclude that Xenophon thus unthinkingly interchanged words of synonymous import, because he had used both words *vicissively* of the same persons. For if we inspect the passage more accurately, we shall readily perceive why Socrates should say to a man anxious about the support of his poorer relations; Now when their indolence grieves you οὕτε σὺ ἐκέῃνας φιλεῖς, οὕτε ἐκεῖναι σε; but if you would teach them to seek by labour to maintain themselves, σὺ μὲν ἐκέῃνας φιλήσεις, ὄρῳν ὠφελίμους σεαυτῷ οὕσας, ἐκεῖναι δὲ σε ἀγαπήσουσιν, αἰσθόμεναι χαίροντά σε αὐταῖς. There existed no cause of of Greek pronunciation, would give at once the word ἀγάπη. And this etymology of the two words accords with the manifest distinction in their use. φιλεῖν being used to express the more direct demonstration of regard, ἀγαπᾶν the principle, or internal feeling of delectation and kindness.—T.]

mutual love; for neither could he love them who in their poverty were only an annoyance to him, nor could they love him, when they saw him unwilling to support them. For there is no greater impediment to mutual love among relations, than the receiving of aid unwillingly given; or the being compelled to give to the undeserving. But if he obeyed the advice of Socrates, he might find that he would at length love them whom he had taught to be useful to himself, and that they might love him, when they perceived that he was no longer unwilling to take care of them. And then, that which Socrates predicted, took place, *αἱ μὲν ὡς κηδεμόνα ἐφίλουν, ὁ δὲ ὡς ὠφελίμους ἠγάπα.* We admit, therefore, that Xenophon adopted the interchange of the words; but not blindly, or from a false regard to eloquence, which, by the mere variation of words, the imitators of ancient writers too eagerly sought. Certainly, if we rightly read the passage, Xenophon changed the terms, because he now wished to intimate what would occur after these women had understood that they would no longer be a burden to the man; and that he also now perceived some probable fruit of their labour. For now they could really love him who, as a parent, nourished them; he could affectionately

regard them whom he saw worthy of his care. There is a similar passage in Dion. Cass. lib. xliv. ἐφιλήσατε αὐτὸν ὡς πατέρα, καὶ ἠγαπήσατε ὡς εὐεργέτην. But one, yet more important, occurs in Plato, Lysid. p. 215. A. "Ὁ δὲ μὴ ἀγαπῶτο, πῶς φίλον; ὁ δὲ μὴ τοῦ δεόμενος, οὐδέ τι ἀγαπῶη αὖν; ὁ δὲ μὴ ἀγαπήῃ, οὐδ' αὖν φιλοῖ. It is clear that φιλεῖν denotes the sense of love, but in the word ἀγαπᾶν properly is implied the cause of the φιλεῖν. Properly, ἀγαπᾶν is to make much of any thing, to admire, either for utility sake, or some other reason, and then to wish well, to cherish, to regard; but φιλεῖν denotes the love which takes its rise naturally from the thing loved. But since love is frequently without reason, it occurs, at times, that φιλεῖν is used in instances in which no just cause of love exists. Ἀγαπᾶν is never applied to an improper love.

In the New Testament, certainly, passages occur in which ἀγαπᾶν and φιλεῖν are used indiscriminately; but there are others in which each is used in its own proper sense. Of the former class, are those in which Jesus is said φιλεῖν and ἀγαπᾶν; and Luke xi. 43, ἀγαπᾷτε τὴν πρωτοκαθεδρίαν, for which the Evangelist says, in c. xx. 46, φιλεῖν τὴν πρωτ. But we must not class with these John xxi. 15, where, to the question, ἀγαπήεις με πλεῖον τούτων, Peter replies, καὶ

κύριε, σὺ αἶδας ὅτι φιλῶ σε. And our Lord twice repeats the words of Peter, φιλεῖς με· i. e. dost thou so far love me? It is, however, worthy of observation, that in the New Testament, men are never said, φιλεῖν τὸν Θεόν, but ἀγαπᾶν; but God is said both φιλεῖν and ἀγαπᾶν τοὺς ἀνθρώπους. For since, in the word φιλεῖν the direct affection of the mind is expressed, but in ἀγαπᾶν the regard to any thing, as that which we venerate, it is the part of men ἀγαπῶσι τὸν Θεόν; but of God, both φιλεῖν can be affirmed, with respect to men, if they do rightly, John xvi. 27; and ἀγαπᾶν, when he wishes them good, and seeks their salvation. So, in John iii. 16, where ἡ ἀγάπη τοῦ Θεοῦ is recorded, it is rightly said ἡγάπησεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸν κόσμον, not ἐφίλει; for it could not be affirmed of God, that he φιλεῖν τὸν κόσμον, the world not being worthy of his love. Although it is used, therefore, when God is considered as approving men, yet an adequate cause is stated, or, at least, made apparent from the circumstances, v. c. John xvi. 27. In John xi. 3, 5, 36, speaking of our Lord's love to Lazarus, the words φιλεῖν and ἀγαπᾶν are interchanged. For, in ver. 3, the sisters are recorded to have intimated to Jesus, ὃν φιλεῖς, ἀσθενεῖ; and in ver. 36, it is said, that the men who saw his grief, said, ἴδε, πῶς ἐφίλει αὐτόν. Whilst, in ver.

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that we should actually love bad men. On the contrary, when they are reprov'd, who, from an excessive desire to preserve life, lose sight of the real object of living, John xii. 25, it is rightly said, ὁ φιλῶν τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ. For he who is ἀγαπῶν τὴν ψυχὴν, consults his real interest. But in Luke vii. 5, the Jews are recorded to have said, ἀγαπᾷ τὸ ἔθνος ἡμῶν, *i. e.* favoured, cherished. Concerning Mark x. 21, ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἡγάπησεν αὐτόν, interpreters have differed. But it is needless to invent a strange sense, as if ἀγαπᾷ meant, to address with bland and friendly words, and then as nearly allied to it, to approve, to praise, which would rather be the force of φιλεῖν. Besides, if our Lord had approved of the young man, he would not have added, that one thing yet more trying and difficult to overcome remained. For, when our Lord saw that he was not ill-disposed, yet that he confided too much in his possessions, with a view to his benefit, he added an admonition to which his covetousness would not submit. Jesus, therefore, ἡγάπησεν αὐτόν, that is, meaning kindly to him, warned the rich man, that he might, at the same time, impress more fully the minds of his disciples.

Briefly then, in fine, φιλεῖν is to love, ἀγαπᾷ is to regard; in Latin, the one is *amare*, and the other *diligere*, which two words differ in the

γαίγοντες αὐτοὺς τοῖς στρατηγοῖς, εἶπον. In fact, *σύρειν* is never used in that sense in which *ἐλκύειν* frequently is, that is, in the metaphorical sense in which it occurs in the above named passage in John, and in c. 12. ver. 32; and in which it is used by others. For, as *ἐλκύειν* is frequently used of those who by speaking or other means attract others, that they may conform to their way; so in these passages it means no more than to attract, to influence; the opportunity being given to bring over to a side; which is not done by violence, (frequently associated with the idea of drawing;) but only by the rational inflexion of the will. So in Lucian, i. Pisc. 46. 613, he is said *ἐλκόμενος πρὸς τὴν ὕψιν*, who is moved by the sight of riches and indulgences proposed to him; and i. Hermot. 74. p. 817, *ὑπὸ τῆς ἀκολουθίας ἐλκόμενος*, is said of him who, under a false influence, believes that to be true which is false. In the same manner, in James i. 14, it is said, *ὑπὸ τῆς ἰδίας ἐπιθυμίας ἐξελκόμενος καὶ δελεαζόμενος*. (Conf. Aelian. Hist. Anim. vi. 31, and Aristaenet. Epist. ii. 21.) Hence it is used with reference to sporting, concerning animals who are taken not by force but by guile. But *σύρειν* is not so used; which is not surprising, if we are right in the idea that it rather means to drag

πατήρ, ὁ πέμψας με, ἐλκύσῃ αὐτόν. For, since the word ἐλκύειν is rendered *trahere*, to draw, they conceived that a notion of force was implied in it; at least, those who defended the notion of the irresistible grace of God, thought so; as if God led those who were predestined to salvation, even, notwithstanding their own reluctance, to faith in him. So even Calvin, following after Augustine, wrote: "Without controversy it is deducible from the words of John, that the hearts of the pious are so effectually governed by divine grace, that they follow with an inflexible affection." And, although they had

¹This point is not easily settled, even by the acute criticism of Mr. Titmann. Men are too easily biassed by their own predilections. For instance, in this very passage of Calvin's Institutes, on which Titmann seizes, in order to controvert the notion of a constrained reluctance on the part of the elect, it is evident that no such idea exists, or was intended to be expressed. It only affirms an invincible influence *on the hearts of the pious*. It assumes the pious turn and tendency, as co-existing with, coeval with, the influence; and this excludes the idea of reluctance and unwillingness, co-existing with the operations of effective grace. It shuts out the idea of dragging altogether. So difficult is it to settle controversial points, when, even with reference to the force of terms, a writer of such peculiar acuteness misses the plain and direct meaning of his opponent. Surely there is little more affirmed in this sentence, given, as it is, in an insulated form from the writings of Calvin, than that

the authentic interpretation of those former words given in ver. 65, whence it might be gathered that they meant only εἰς μὴ ἢ δεδομένον αὐτῷ ἐκ τοῦ πατρὸς μου, yet they adhered to this notion of *dragging*, and, therefore, taught that he to whom God gave the grace to come to him, was so controlled that he could not resist, and that this was given only to the elect. Our theologians, who teach the universal grace of God, regarding it as a thing which may be resisted, maintain, that in the word ἐλκύειν there is not necessarily the idea of a certain constraint on the resisting and unwilling, but only the notion of leading and attracting.* Which,

“ They (i. e. the predestined to life) be called according to God’s purpose, by his spirit working in due season; *they, through grace, obey the calling*, they are justified freely, they are made the sons of God by adoption, they are made like the image of his only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, *they walk religiously in good works*; and, at length, by God’s mercy, they attain to everlasting felicity.” Art. 17 of the Church of England. Neither in the terms of this article, nor in the above extract from Calvin, does the idea exist, which Titmann condemns, with justice, as unscriptural, of a divine violence dragging a still reluctant heart to a worship, half-sincere and half involuntary.—T.

* Most probably we are right, in tracing ἐλκύω, ἔλκω, to **לָקַח**, *ambulavit, ivit, ire fecit, deducit*. It has the same sense also in all the cognate dialects. It occurs also in Chaldee, in the sense of *vectigal*, tribute drawn, and of the motions of the planets. The same general idea obtains

as it may be shown by many passages of the Greek writers, so especially will it be made to appear, if the word is compared with *σύρειν*, which is its synonym.

In this respect the two words agree, that in both of them there is the idea of *drawing*; i. e. of effecting that some thing, moved from its own place, should follow another. In this sense *ἐλκύειν*, (which very frequently means only to *carry along with*, as in Euripid. Ion. v. 750.) is used in John xviii. 10; xxi. 6, 11. But so far they appear to differ, that in the word *ἐλκύειν* may be understood a certain *drawing*, tending to a particular point; in the word *σύρειν*, a continuous and uninterrupted movement of the thing drawn. Wherefore, *σύρειν* is frequently used of those things which are drawn perpetually

in Greek. It is used of the weight causing the scale to descend; and of any attractive influence by which one thing is caused to move towards another. So also *ελπίς*, derived from it, is the track or course along which any thing has passed, as the plough, a vessel, a serpent, an arrow. The oriental word has reached us through the Gothic migration, in the German, *walch*, *peregrinus*, (Walachia?) and our own word, retaining the primitive sense, to walk. This etymology of *ἐλκύειν* quite justifies the author's critical remarks on it. The word *σύρειν*, may be referred to *σῶ*, *decessit, amovit, detraxit*. In *ἐλκύειν*, the original idea is, influence causing motion; in *σύρειν* the leading notion is, separation, aversion—*T*.

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they were landed, Peter *εἰλκυσε τὸ δίκτυον ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς*. Where it may be readily seen why, in the second instance, John uses the word *σύρειν*. Nor can we say that both words are used concerning the same thing in the same sense, in Acts xvi. 19, *εἰλκυσαν εἰς τὴν ἀγοράν*; Acts xxi. 30, *εἰλκον αὐτὸν ἔξω τοῦ ἱεροῦ*; James ii. 6, *ἐλκουσιν ὑμᾶς εἰς τὰ κριτήρια*; and Acts viii. 3, *σύρων τε ἄνδρας καὶ γυναῖκας παρεδίδου εἰς φυλακὴν*. Acts xiv. 19, *ἔσυρον ἔξω τῆς πόλεως*. Acts xvii. 6, *ἔσυρον ἐπὶ τοὺς πολιτάρχας*. Certainly in the former passages there is not the notion of violence, but only that of efficacy, which cannot be separated from the idea of drawing. Often they are said to draw, who would prefer that the thing which they draw, as chains, calamities, &c. should not follow. The same form occurs in *ἐλκύειν πόδα*, and others; whence it appears that in this word there exists only the simple notion of drawing, independently of the additional idea of violence, which is only adventitious, arising out of the circumstances. Nor in the form *ἐλκύειν εἰς τὴν ἀγοράν*, *εἰς κριτήριον*, is there the notion of violence; as if the lictors were actually dragging the man to the forum, any more than in the Latin expression, *in jus rapere*. Which appears sufficiently in Acts xvi. 19, *εἰλκυσαν εἰς τὴν ἀγοράν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἄρχοντας καὶ προσα-*

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after ; (whence σύρμα and ἐπισύρειν ;) whilst in Rev. xii. 4, ἔλκειν and ἔλκυειν mean, to draw to, or with. And, therefore, if the compounds of σύρειν are not used strictly, they will not have the notion of drawing to, but of drawing away, driving, propelling. As Lucian elegantly says I. Nigrin. 16. p. 55, παρασύρεται αἰδῶς καὶ ἀρετῇ καὶ δίκαιοσύνῃ. For παρασύρειν and περισύρειν are applied to rivers or torrents, which with swollen waters drag down all opposing substances before them. (See Hemsterhusius on this passage of Lucian.)

Καινός· νέος,

Agree in this, that both are opposed to παλαιός. But in παλαιός there are two ideas; it is used of that which was originated some time back, as οἶνος παλαιός, Luke v. 39, or of that which has existed long, and been in use, ἱμάτιον παλαιόν, Matth. ix. 16. To the first sense νέος is opposed; to the last καινός. That is καινόν which comes in the place of a thing that was formerly, and has not yet been used, *i. e. new* ; νέος is that which has only lately been originated, *recent*.

That in the New Testament this notion of each word is distinctly preserved, appears from the references given in Lexicons. We will adduce a few instances: Matth. ix. 16. 17,

ἱμάτιον παλαιόν — πλήρωμα καινόν οἶνον νέον — ἀσκούς παλαιούς — καινούς. (conf. Mark ii. 21; Luke v. 36). Our Lord does not say νέους ἀσκούς, nor οἶνον καινόν. But in Matth. xxvi. 29, he says, γέννημα τῆς ἀμπέλου καινόν, because he refers to *another* wine than that which he poured out then to his friends, *not recent but different*. For, as in the word καινός is expressed that which has not been long, it follows that it must be other and different from that which had been formerly. And we also, in speaking of wine, draw the distinction between *new* wine and *recent* wine. Hence, the γλῶσσαι καιναί in Mark xvi. 17, *i. e.* tongues not formerly used by the Apostles, are, in Acts ii. 4, called ἑτέραι, other tongues. Some add to this the notion of superiority; but it does not necessarily exist in καινός, although it frequently arises out of the opposite term; for often that which is worn by use is corrupted by age. Yet the νέον and the καινόν are not always better than the older. Therefore, neither in the formula καινόν ἀμπέλου γέννημα does the notion of superiority exist absolutely, nor in these:—καινή διαθήκη, Heb. viii. 8. 13; ix. 15, καινή ἐντολή, John xiv. 34.

But καινός and νέος are used interchangeably with the same word. For instance, καινή διαθήκη and νέα διαθήκη Heb. xii. 24; καινός ἄνθρωπος Eph.

ii. 15; iv. 23. et *νέος ἄνθρωπος* Col. iii. 10. But although, *καινή διαθήκη* is always used, regard being had to the old covenants; it is once only in this passage called *νέα*, as a recent covenant, only lately established, of which the Jews were now participants. For the same reason Paul in Epist. to Colossians, speaks of the *νέος ἄνθρωπος*, when he had been wont to say, *καινός*. For it is evident that regard is especially had in this place to the *ἀναγεννήσις*: the *καινὸς ἄνθρωπος* is one who differs from the former; the *νέος* one which is *ἀνακαινούμενος κατ' εἰκόνα τοῦ κτίσαντος αὐτὸν*, renewed after the image of his Creator. On the contrary, Paul does not say, *νέα κτίσις* but *καινή* (2 Cor. v. 15. 17; Gal. vi. 15, Eph. ii. 15,) because in the word *κτίσις* itself, there is the notion of *νέοτης*, newness. And the difference of which we speak may be observed in the use of the words *ἀνακαινοῦν* and *ἀνανεοῦν*, which occur in the New Testament. They are both rendered, to restore, to renew; yet they differ. For who does not see in 2 Cor. iv. 16, *ὁ ἔσωθεν ἄνθρωπος ἀνακαινοῦται ἡμέρα καὶ ἡμέρα*, that the meaning is different from what it would have been, if the Apostle had written *ἀνανεοῦται*. On the contrary, in Eph. iv. 23, it was correct to write *ἐκ νεοῦσθαι τῷ πνεύματι τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν*. For if in this latter passage he had

in 1 Pet. iii. 4, τοῦ πρᾶτος καὶ ἡσυχίου πνεύματος. Hence, ἡσυχάζειν is to rest, to do nothing; and it is said of those who make no reply, nor contradict further, as Luke xiv. 3. Acts xi. 18. xxi. 14, and 2 Thess. iii. 12. Paul exhorts those μεθ' ἡσυχίας ἐργάζεσθαι, τὸν ἑαυτῶν ἄρτον ἐσθίουσας, whom he heard ἀτάκτως περιπατεῖν, μηδὲν ἐργαζομένους, ἀλλὰ περιεργαζομένους, i. e. meddling with the affairs of others. (*Aristid.* p. 494.) ἡσυχίαν ἦγε καὶ μηδὲν περιεργάζετο. It is evident that ἡσυχία is frequently used in the sense of silence, 1 Tim. ii. 11, 12, compared with 1 Cor. xiv. 34. Ἡρεμος is seldom used; but the more common forms ἡρέμα, ἡρεμαῖος, ἡρεμεῖν, ἡρεμίζειν, have the meaning which we have specified; although in these words the notion of tranquillity is often referred to external things; for he who is himself quiet, i. e. free from fear or other disturbing passions, does not annoy others. And hence ἡσύχιος is often used in both senses. We will add a passage from

placid life according with the desires and wishes, *quieta fruens*; it is rather a pleasurable repose. Ἡρεμος is from **ἦρε**, and **ἦρυ**, *nudus, vacuus, evacuatus, cava, spelunca*. From the same source is derived *ἐρημος*, desert, and the words, *eremite, Hermit*. And the idea, therefore, which is conveyed by ἡρέμος is rather that of vacuity of cares, freedom from annoyance, the quiet of solitude.—T.

CHAPTER V.

AN accurate observation of synonyms is peculiarly useful and necessary, in cases where they occur in juxtaposition. This fact occurs in all writers, but is especially worthy of notice in the books of the New Testament, and that on two accounts; first, because some think that this conjunction of synonyms may be neglected in studying the writings of less elegant authors; and, secondly, that many, in those places in which this accumulated junction of synonymous terms occur, have been accustomed to look for some emphasis or ornament. Both opinions, however, are false. For it is plain, that men who have acquired the language that they speak rather by custom than by study, more frequently make use of particular terms, which, taken together, go to express the universal or general notion present in their minds; whence it happens that the full force of their meaning must be gathered from a close consideration of the whole synonymous terms which they have used, collectively. And the notion about ornament is equally unfounded.

For, as the most elegant writers abstain from that kind of ornament which is merely verbal, so also should we take care, lest, in reading more simple writers, we conclude that words cognate as to a certain similitude of meaning, are introduced merely for ornament. For it is common enough to rapid writers to adopt a verbose style, which gratifies the idle and listless reader, but gives disgust to a better taste. But more elegant authors never insert a word, except its sense is fitted to impart some new light or additional view to the subject; and which pleases, because it leads the mind to consider the same point in various ways; so that the same topic, presented in different aspects, calls up in the mind of the reader different ideas respecting it. But less artificial writers, who are chiefly anxious to be understood by their readers, often use sentences of similar import or synonymous terms near together, not for the sake of ornament or variety, but that their readers may more fully apprehend the whole idea which they wish to convey.*

* I conceive this to be the primary source of that parallelism which is so celebrated among the Hebrew writers, especially in their poetical books, but in what mode, or by what laws, it is regulated, has not been shown with sufficient accuracy. For that which Herder has written in his work, (*vom Geist*

Hence not only among the New Testament writers, but among the more ancient Greek authors, and especially Homer, many passages occur in which synonymous words or sentences appear together; yet in vain would you seek for any intentional ornament, except that clearness which flows naturally from an accurate description of particular things, from which a general notion is derived. Yet they give pleasure, although not inserted by the author with that view; for although the enjoyment derived from mere ornament, would be lost if the writer abstained from the ornament, yet readers would not the less distinctly apprehend his meaning. But, in passages of this kind, the pleasure arises from this, that the writer has exhibited the matter by various terms of description to the eyes of the reader, not merely to please him, but to state more precisely his own way of thinking about it.

Before we demonstrate this by examples from the New Testament, it may be well to adduce a few instances from the writings of Homer, which will clearly illustrate my meaning; and of the many that immediately suggest

der hebr. Poesie, Tom. I. Opp. p. 34. sqq.) has well explained the beauty and force of such parallelism, but has not entered on the inquiry into its nature.

themselves. I will select those to which parallel cases may be found in the New Testament, *μίνυνδά περ οὔτι μάλα δὴν*. Iliad. α. 416. et saep. *ἥμος δ' ἥελος κατέδυ καὶ ἐπὶ κνέφας ἦλθε* Iliad. α. 475. *μέγα κήδεταί ἡδ' ελεαίρει*. Iliad. β. 27. *ὑπὶσχετο καὶ κατένευσεν*. Iliad. β. 112. *ὄψιμον ὀψιτέλεστον*. Iliad. β. 325. *νικήσῃ κρείσσων τε γένηται*. Iliad. γ. 92. *αἷσχεα δειδιότες καὶ ὀνειδέα πόλλ' ἅ μοι ἐστίν* ib. 242. *ἄβλητος καὶ ἀνούτατος*, Iliad. δ. 540. *ἡμβροτες οὐδ' ἔτυχες*, Iliad. ε. 287. *ἔλωρ καὶ κύρμα* ib. 488. *θανεῖν καὶ πότμον ἐπισπεῖν* Iliad. η. 52. *θάνατον καὶ πότμον ἐπισπεῖν*, Iliad. υ. 337. *μύθη ἐπιτέλλεαι ἡδὲ κελεύεις* Iliad. κ. 61. *κραδίῃ καὶ θυμῷ ἀγῆνωρ*, ibid. ν. 220. 244. 319. (It only occurs in the Iliad in this instance, but in the Odysse. δ, 348. σ, 60.) *οὔτι μετατρέπομ' οὔτ' ἀλεγίζω*. Iliad. μ. 238. *πόλεμον καὶ δηϊότητα*. Iliad. ν. 250. *πολεμίζειν ἡδὲ μάχεσθαι*. Iliad. λ. 12. *ὑπέμειναν οὐδ' ἐφάβηθεν*. Iliad. ε. 499. *σῆσιν ἔχε φρεσὶ, μηδὲ σε λήθῃ αἰρείτω*. Iliad. β. 33. *οὔτ' εἶρομαι οὔτε μεταλλῶ*. Iliad. α. 553. In these passages any one will perceive, that there is no ornament nor any particular emphasis; yet we deny that this union of synonymous terms is altogether otiose and futile. Similar instances occur among more elegant writers, which need not be enumerated;* and they are found also in the sacred

* We may subjoin a few passages, not dissimilar to those

writings. In following out, therefore, this discussion on the synonyms of the New Testament which we have begun, we must seek from passages of a similar kind, some examples in order to demonstrate what course, in our opinion, should be taken, to ascertain the real mind of the writer, and to define accurately the force of his synonymous expressions.

ἡρεμος ἡσύχιος.

Paul writes in 1 Tim. ii. 2. ἵνα ἡρεμον καὶ ἡσύχιον βίον διάγωμεν ; and correctly ; for both are to be desired ; for the two words agree in this, that in neither is there any thing of tumult, perturbation, agitation or solicitude ; yet they differ. He is ἡσύχιος who makes no disturbance ; he is ἡρεμος who is himself free from agitation or disturbance. That life therefore is ἡσύχιος which excites no disturbance in others ; and that is ἡρεμος which is not disturbed by others.* Ἡσύχιος is evidently used in this sense

of which we are about to speak. The following occur in Xenophon : σώματα κάπιστα καὶ αἴσχιστα, Cyneg. 13. 11, κακῶν καὶ ἀνάνδρων, Lyc. 10. 6, ἀνοήτων καὶ βίψοκιδύνων, Memor. 1. 3, 9, ἀχειρῶν καὶ ἀνωφιλῆς τοῦ σώματος, ib. 1. 2. 54, ἀπόρων καὶ ἀμηχάνων, ib. 2. 5. 3, ἀμίλιαν καὶ βαθυμίαν, ib. 3. 5. 5, παιδιεύοντας καὶ μαθόντας, opposed to ἀπαιδίστους καὶ ἀμαθεῖς, ib. 4. 1. 4.

* The word ἡσύχια is derived from ἡσυχία, *amavit, appetivit, desiderium*, and is, therefore, *vita tranquilla, placida* ; *

in 1 Pet. iii. 4, τοῦ πρᾶτος καὶ ἡσυχίου πνεύματος. Hence, ἡσυχάζειν is to rest, to do nothing; and it is said of those who make no reply, nor contradict further, as Luke xiv. 3. Acts xi. 18. xxi. 14, and 2 Thess. iii. 12. Paul exhorts those μεθ' ἡσυχίας ἐργάζεσθαι, τὸν ἑαυτῶν ἄρτον ἐσθίοντας, whom he heard ἀτάκτως περιπατεῖν, μηδὲν ἐργαζομένους, ἀλλὰ περιεργαζομένους, i. e. meddling with the affairs of others. (*Aristid.* p. 494.) ἡσυχίαν ἦγε καὶ μηδὲν περιεργάζετο. It is evident that ἡσυχία is frequently used in the sense of silence, 1 Tim. ii. 11, 12, compared with 1 Cor. xiv. 34. Ἡρεμος is seldom used; but the more common forms ἡρέμα, ἡρεμαῖος, ἡρεμεῖν, ἡρεμίζειν, have the meaning which we have specified; although in these words the notion of tranquillity is often referred to external things; for he who is himself quiet, i. e. free from fear or other disturbing passions, does not annoy others. And hence ἡσύχιος is often used in both senses. We will add a passage from

placid life according with the desires and wishes, *quieta fruens*; it is rather a pleasurable repose. Ἡρεμος is from ὄρυ, and ἦρυ, *nudus, vacuus, evacuatus, cava, spelunca*. From the same source is derived ἱερος, desert, and the words, *eremite, Hermit*. And the idea, therefore, which is conveyed by ἡρέμος is rather that of vacuity of cares, freedom from annoyance, the quiet of solitude.—T.

Lucian, ii. Amor. 29. 429. ἐγὼ δὲ ἡσυχῇ μειδιάσας καὶ ἡρέμα τῷ ὀφθαλμῷ παραβαλὼν (ὄμμα ἡσυχον, *Euripid. Orest.* 1217. *Troad.* 649.) They are in error who say that ἡρεμος is the same as ἡμερος. But Luther elegantly renders the words of Paul in the passage in question; *ein geruhiges und stilles Leben*. For although we also use the words *ruhe*, *ruhig*, and *stille*, *still*, promiscuously; yet that a similar difference exists between them is made evident by those formulae, which necessarily require the one rather than the other.

μάχεσθαι πολεμεῖν μάχαι πόλεμοι.

Among the former quotations from Homer, we gave πολεμίζειν ἢ δὲ μάχεσθαι. We must add to it πόλεμοί τε μάχαι τε *Iliad.* α. 177. ε, 891. On the former passage Eustathius says, τὸ πόλεμοί τε μάχαι τε, ἢ ἐκ παραλλήλων δηλοῦ τὸ αὐτὸ, ἢ καὶ διαφορὰ τις ἔστι ταῖς λέξεσιν, εἶγε μάχεται μὲν τις καὶ λόγοις, ὥς καὶ ἡ λογομαχία δηλοῦ καὶ αὐτὸς δὲ ὁ ποιητὴς μετ' ὀλίγα φησι, μαχεσσομένῳ ἐπέεσσι. (v. 304.) καὶ ἄλλως δὲ μάχην μὲν, αὐτὴ ἡ τῶν ἀνδρῶν συνεισβολή. ὁ δὲ πύλεμος καὶ ἐπὶ παρατάξεων καὶ μαχίμου καιροῦ λέγεται. χρήσιμον δὲ ὧδε καὶ τὸ πολεμίζειν ἢ δὲ μάχεσθαι. And this view of Eustathius is confirmed by other writers, and by the Scriptures especially. Paul in 2 Tim. ii. 23, commands τὰς μωζαίς

ζητήσεις παραιτεῖν, ὅτι γεννῶσι μάχας. In the same way he exhorts Titus, iii. 9, μωρὰς δὲ ζητήσεις, καὶ γενεαλογίας, καὶ ἔρεις καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περιττάσας. In 2 Corinth. vii. 5, the αἱ ἔξωθεν πάλαι are not bodily calamities, but the actual contentions with which the Apostle had to encounter. Compare John vi. 52; 2 Tim. ii. 24; Act. vii. 26, (Exod. ii. 13. מַלְחָמָה.) Πόλεμος, on the contrary, and πολεμίζειν are said of battles and combats, which take place in the way of actual collision. The word is so used, metaphorically, certainly in Rev. ii. 16, πολεμήσω μετ' αὐτῶν ἐν τῇ ῥομφαίᾳ τοῦ στόματός μου. (comp. v. 12.) But it is never applied to verbal disputes.

So far then they agree, that they denote contest, contention, fighting; but πόλεμος and πολεμεῖν are restricted to actual collision by physical force, μάχη and μάχεσθαι apply to any contention of mind as well as body, even though it come not to blows. In the former the actual struggle is expressed; in the latter, it is sufficient to have the idea of such contention as often leads to blows. For in the word μάχεσθαι there is not properly and necessarily the notion of physical collision, as appears from one passage of Homer. (Iliad. α., 298.)
 χεῖρσι μὲν οὔτι ἔγωγε μαχήσομαι εἰνεκα κούρης. I

strongly suspect that the original notion of this word was that of impetus, or force by which one rushes on another;* wherein the verb has only a middle termination. Hence μάχεσθαι τινί simply rendered, is to be borne violently against any one, as Iliad. ζ, 329. μάχαι and ἔριδες are often joined as in the Iliad. α, 177. ε, 891. Xenoph. Hier. i. 38. μαχη and μάχεσθαι have a wide signification. πόλεμος and πολεμεῖν are restricted to the idea of war.

* The suspicion of Titmann is well founded; and this instance again illustrates the value of etymological inquiry. The original form of μάχη is more directly that of actual collision, than πόλεμος. It is derived from מַכָּה, *to smite*; which according to the form of all Hebrew words beginning with כ, drops the first radical, and takes the formative מ; מַכִּים, *percutientes* מַכֵּה, *percutiens*. With a slight variation it occurs in Chaldee מַכַּח and מַכַּח, *percussit* and in Arabic مَكَحَ *fidit*; and hence μαχαιρα, a sword, *maclare* to slay, and *dimicare* to fight. From the same source, we have *nocuit* in Latin; and *knock*, through the Gothic. Unquestionably, therefore, the original notion of μάχη is a blow. πολέμιον has reference rather to the general confusion of an extended contest, and is probably derived from מַלְלָה, *confudit, miscuit*. It was very natural for μάχη, which more simply expresses the idea of contest by collision, to be used in a figurative sense for every kind of conflict. This is the natural course of language. πολέμιον originally expressed a more complex idea, and has been retained by custom in its proper meaning. Phavorinus, however, says: πολέμιζον ἢ δὲ μαχίσθαι, τούτων σημαίνει ἓτι παραλλήλον.—T.

σύμφυχοι τὸ αὐτὸ (τὸ ἔν φρονοῦντες.)

The passage in which these expressions occur, is Philip. ii. 2. Πληρώσατέ μου τὴν χαρὰν, ἵνα τὸ αὐτὸ φρονῆτε, τὴν αὐτὴν ἀγάπην ἔχοντες, σύμφυχοι, τὸ ἔν φρονοῦντες. The word σύμφυχος occurs but once in the New Testament. It differs from ἰσόφυχος, which Paul used in the same epistle, c. ii. 20. For ἰσόφυχος is animated or moved in the same way; σύμφυχος, to think the same thing, to be of one mind. They may be σύμφυχοι who are not ἰσόφυχοι. For often men think the same thing, who differ materially as to mind. The σύμφυχοι, are the same with οἱ τὸ αὐτὸ φρονοῦντες. But we must inquire into the difference between τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν and τὸ ἔν φρονεῖν. For it cannot be credited that the Apostle would have so rashly introduced a mere tautology. Once only he writes τὸ ἔν φρονεῖν, and that in this passage. Six times he writes τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν. Now, τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν is to have the same opinion, to feel, to wish, to seek the same thing. So in Romans xii. 16, τὸ αὐτὸ εἰς ἀλλήλους φρονοῦντες Rom. xv. 5, τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν ἐν ἀλλήλοις 2 Cor. xiii. 11, τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖτε, εἰρηνεύετε. And again, in the Epistle to the Philippians, c. iii. 16, τῷ αὐτῷ στοιχεῖν καὶ οὖν, τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν, if that is the true reading; and iv. 2, τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν ἐν κυρίῳ. We need hardly attempt to demonstrate that this formula is used by other writers in the same

sense. But τὸ ἐν φρονεῖν, is to wish one thing only, to agree in seeking one thing only. The Apostle wishes the Philippians τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν, i. e. not to disagree, but to regard each other with the same mutual love, to be unanimous, seeking one thing. For, if each sought something different, they could neither be σύμφυχοι, nor would they have τὴν αὐτὴν ἀγάπην. But the one thing (τὸ ἐν) which he wished them all to mind, he explains in ver. 4, μὴ τὰ ἑαυτῶν ἕκαστος σκοποῦντες, ἀλλὰ καὶ τὰ ἑτέρων ἕκαστος. He wishes, therefore, all συμψύχους εἶναι, τὸ ἐν φρονεῖντας, while all minded or sought one thing only, the convenience of each other. For, if οἱ πάντες τὰ ἑαυτῶν ζητοῦσι, ver. 20, they could not be accordant; but if all agreed in one thing, that each should expressly seek the benefit of the others, they would certainly live in concord and in mutual love.

Briefly, then, τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν, is to have the same mind; σύμφυχον εἶναι, is to think the same thing, to be of accordant mind; τὸ ἐν φρονεῖν, is not to differ in council and purpose, but to seek one and the same object.

σπλάγχνα ·· οἰκτιρμοί.

In the same clause of the Epistle to the Philippians, ver. 1, we read, εἴ τινα σπλάγχνα καὶ οἰκτιρμοί, πληρώσατέ μου τὴν χαράν. If it were true, as is stated in the common lexicons to the

New Testament, that *σπλάγχνα* is put metaphorically for mercy, commiseration, Paul would have written tautologically. But that the word has a wider meaning, and that the notion of mercy only attaches to it adventitiously, will appear from Luke i. 78, *σπλάγχνα ἐλέους*, and Coloss. iii. 12, *σπλάγχνα οἰκτιρμῶν*. Certainly, as *σπλάγχνα* properly signifies the more noble *viscera*, the heart, lungs, liver, &c. (*σπλάγχνον ἢ καρδιά*,) whence, *εὐσπλαγχοι* and *εὐσπλαγχνια*, are terms for fortitude, so are all these terms figuratively assumed to express the more vehement feelings and passions, which are believed to arise more immediately from these viscera. Hence *σπλάγχνα* *θερμαίνειν πρὸς ὀργήν*, *Aristoph. Ran.* v. 868, and *αἰνιᾶν σπλάγχνον* *Sophocl. Ajac.* v. 995. And thus, the *ἄσπλαγχοι* are those who are destitute either of love and benevolence, or of hate and anger, ὡς *λίθοι ἀναίσθητοι ὑπάρχοντες, κατὰ τὸ μηδὲν ἔχειν ἔνδον συναλοῦν*. — *μη ἰλεοῦντες μηδὲνα, μέτε φιλοῦντες, μηδ' ὅλως φροντίζοντες ἢ ἐπαινοῦντων ἢ ψεγόντων, ἢ ἀδικούντων, ἢ ὠφελοῦντων*. (*Galen. de Dogm. Hippocr. et Plat.* iii. c. 4. Tom. v. Opp. 316. ed Lips. we say *herzlos*, heartless.) Luther renders *σπλάγχνα ἐλέους*, by *herzliche Barmherzigkeit* and *σπλάγχνα οἰκτιρμῶν* *herzliches Erbarmen*.

There is then a difference between *σπλάγχνα* and *οἰκτιρμοί*. The former denotes some vehe-

ment affection or regard, *σφόδρῇ*, as of parents towards children, which is the most intense affection, and on which account children are called *σπλάγχνα* in Philem. v. 12; and often elsewhere.* The latter properly denotes mercy, a sense of grief for the distresses of others. These words of Paul should be rendered, therefore, If ye have any true love towards me, if any mercy. Luther writes, *herzliche Liebe und Barmherzigkeit*.

Let us now speak of the synonyms,

ἔλεος οἰκτιρμός ἐλεεῖν οἰκτεῖν

Οἰκτεῖν and *οἰκτιρμός* denote merely compassion, a sense of unhappiness for the ills of others, *barmherzig seyn*. *Barmherzigkeit*, *Mitleiden*; but *ἔλεος*, *ἐλεεῖν*, denote the desire of relieving the miserable. In these latter, then, there is something more than in the former, viz: the additional notion of beneficence, of aid, which he who is *ἐλεῶν* is prompt to apply. Pity is easily enough called up in the soul, but the *ἔλεος* is less frequently to be met with.

* This is perhaps assumed too easily. The Apostle uses a strong expression indicative of his love to Timothy, but it would not follow from this, that the word which he uses means children, or, my child; Theophylact thus paraphrases the passage: *Μετὰ ἀγάπης δίδαι αὐτὸν, μᾶλλον δὲ ὡς αὐτὸν, ἀλλὰ τὰ ἱμὰ σπλάγχνα, οὕτω γὰρ αὐτὸν αγαπῶ καὶ ἐν τῇ ψυχῇ περιφίρω*. See Suicer's *Thesaurus Ecclesiasticus* on the word.—T.

The LXX frequently renders $\tau\omicron\pi\eta$ by $\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\omicron\varsigma$, not for $\square\pi\eta$ and $\gamma\eta$ it has $\omicron\iota\kappa\tau\epsilon\iota\rho\epsilon\iota\nu$. Hence $\lambda\omicron\sigma$, $\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\omicron\varsigma$ and $\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\iota\nu$ ($\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\eta\mu\omicron\sigma\acute{\upsilon}\nu\eta$) are put, in the New Testament, for those benefits which are bestowed on the miserable; but $\omicron\iota\kappa\tau\epsilon\iota\sigma\mu\acute{\omicron}\varsigma$, never. The same observation may be made on that very remarkable passage, Rom. ix. 15, $\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\acute{\eta}\sigma\omega \alpha\tilde{\nu} \epsilon\lambda\acute{\omega} \kappa\alpha\iota \omicron\iota\kappa\tau\epsilon\iota\rho\acute{\eta}\sigma\omega \theta\tilde{\nu} \alpha\tilde{\nu} \omicron\iota\kappa\tau\epsilon\iota\rho\acute{\omega}$, compared with Exod. xxxiii. 19. He who is $\omicron\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\acute{\omega}\nu$, strives to relieve the miserable, and does if he is able; but he who limits himself to his compassion only, he is said, $\omicron\iota\kappa\tau\epsilon\iota\rho\epsilon\iota$. The Latins appear to express both notions by the words *misericors* and *misericordia*, unless we are correct in distinguishing *miseratio* and *misericordia*, as the first agrees with $\omicron\iota\kappa\tau\epsilon\iota\sigma\mu\acute{\omicron}\varsigma$ and $\omicron\iota\kappa\tau\omicron\varsigma$, the latter with $\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\omicron\varsigma$. The passage, therefore, may be thus rendered, "I will succour whom I will succour. I will pity whom I pity." Certainly according to the mind of the Apostle; for the Hebrew words have rather the sense of certain and perpetual favour and Divine aid, than of absolute will in the distribution of blessings. But they err greatly who think that they deduce from these words, that God will not save some. For what follows, $\alpha\gamma\alpha \omicron\tilde{\nu}\nu \omicron\tilde{\upsilon} \tau\omicron\tilde{\upsilon} \lambda\omicron\tau\omicron\varsigma, \omicron\tilde{\upsilon}\delta\epsilon \tau\omicron\tilde{\upsilon} \tau\acute{\rho}\epsilon\chi\omicron\tau\omicron\varsigma, \alpha\lambda\lambda\acute{\alpha} \tau\omicron\tilde{\upsilon} \epsilon\lambda\epsilon\omicron\tilde{\upsilon}\nu\tau\omicron\varsigma} \Theta\epsilon\omicron\tilde{\upsilon}$, is certainly not the force, that even though by one desires the favour of God, he cannot

attain it, if God has negatived (*no luerit*) that he should attain it. For, in the case of one who gives a benefit, the accepted benefit must be referred to his benignity, not to our desire; we receive benefits, therefore, from the mercy and clemency of God, not for our own works or deservings. Therefore, it is rightly said, οὐ τοῦ θέλοντος, οὐδὲ τοῦ τρέχοντος, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἐλεούσης Θεοῦ, scil. τὸ χάρισμα; that is, the χάρισμα, a conferred benefit; cannot be referred to our effort or merit, but to the mercy of God, for from thence it comes; he favours and benefits whom he will. It does not follow, then, as some would have it, that even he who wishes cannot obtain, because God forbids the success of his prayer; but rather, what is most true, that labour as we may, it is by the grace of God we obtain the promise, and not by our own merit. It comes from God; he gives to the unworthy; some rejoice in it, some receive it not. These fail of the promise, because they seek it not in the right way; Ἰσραὴλ διώκων νόμον δικαιοσύνης, εἰς νόμον δικαιοσύνης οὐκ ἔφθασε, ὅτι οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως, ἀλλ' ὡς ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ver. 31; those οὐκ ἡλεημένοι, ἀλλ' ἐληθέντες, μὴ διώκοντες δικαιοσύνην, καταλαμβάνουσι δικαιοσύνην, δικαιοσύνην δὲ τὴν ἐκ πίστεως. Has then God so had mercy (ἐλεεῖ) that those whom he willed not to save, ought to perish notwithstanding διώκωσι τὴν δικαιοσύνην. Certain it is, they do not

obtain what they wish, because ζῆλον μὲν θεοῦ
 χουσιν, ἀλλ' οὐ κατ' ἐπίγνωσιν. Had they sought
 the true δικαιοσύνη, they would have obtained it,
 yet, at the same time, οὐ τοῦ τρέχοντος, ἀλλὰ τοῦ
 λισσομένου, the gift would have been of God. I
 have often wondered, therefore, that those who
 held the notion of an absolute decree, have
 had recourse to these words for the support of
 their opinion. Certainly they have so under-
 stood the passage. It matters little, therefore,
 whether we seek or disregard the favour of
 God, if God only regard us; for however any
 one may strive and seek to attain salvation,
 yet he cannot attain it unless God has willed
 it. This is assuredly true, if God has nega-
 tived it; but this idea is repugnant to right
 reason and true religion; nor is it in the pas-
 sage in question.^b Certainly it becomes every

^b All this is very accurately and judiciously stated. But
 the author is fighting with a man of straw. Which of the
 Calvinistic divines asserts, that man seeks to be made holy,
 and that a holy God has put a negative on his desire? The
 great body of those divines who are advocates for the sove-
 reignty of God's grace, which man's natural heart impugns,
 and who wear the epithet, Calvinistic, as an opprobrious
 brand, go no further than the statement of Titmanu; and
 take the same view which he does, of the passage in ques-
 tion. There have been rash assertions on the subject of a
 decree of reprobation, but they were ever confined to a few.

Leg. p. 217, *τολμηρότατοι καὶ αὐθάδεις*.) But in this passage *τολμηταὶ αὐθάδεις*, are not the rash, who seek only to please themselves, but the petulant and cruel, who care for no one; and certainly a bishop should not be *αὐθάδης*, but mild and *σεμνός*.

ἀσύνδετοι ἄσπονδοι

So far are similar, that they prefer to live with others in enmity and strife, rather than in friendship and peace. But as the *συνθήκη* and the *σπονδὴ* differ, the one being made by those between whom there had been no previous enmity, the other being the covenanted termination of war, at least for a time, so the several adjectives will have a distinct meaning also. The *ἀσύνδετοι* are not, as is commonly stated, those who break a confederacy, but are rather those who will not come into a confederacy, nor be easily led to adopt pacific measures, *unverträglich*. The *ἄσπονδοι* are they who will not make peace, but prefer interminable war, *unversöhnlich*. The *ἀσύνδετοι* do nothing to preserve peace; the *ἀσπονδοι* do nothing to restore peace, *ἀδιάλλακτοι ἄσπονδοι πόλεμος* is implacable war. But Demosthenes says *ἀσυνδιτάτατον τὸν ἔχλον*, because they were *ἀνομόλογος* and *ἁσύμφωνος* as Harpocrates explains the expression.

kingdom of Messiah, ver. 24. Rightly, therefore, is it rendered by Schott, "divine gifts do not depend on him who seeks," &c., for *εἶναι τινός* is to have cause in any thing, *i. e.* to be so conjoined with any thing, as that it is the cause of being or doing any thing. And hence, it is to owe one's origin to any one, to depend on any one, to be in the power of any one. Xenoph. Memor. i. l. 9, τοὺς δὲ πάντα τῆς ἀνδραπίνης γνώμης εἶναι οἰομένους, δαιμονιᾶν ἔφη. (Mark xii. 23, τίνος αὐτῶν ἔσται ἡ γυνή.) Whether, therefore, it be rendered, "It is not in the power," or, "it does not depend on," yet it means no more than that the efficient cause is the mercy of God. Lastly, we must be careful not to attach to the particle *ἂν*, v. 15, the notion of uncertainty as to the will or determination, which there is no reason to suppose, that some persons have done. For the words *ὃν ἂν ἐλεῶ* do not signify, *quemcunque voluero*, whosoever I may wish, as if it were uncertain whether he wished or not; but, *si quem volo*, he whom I wish. So that the true sense of the passage is, if I have pity on any one, I will have pity on him; and therefore it is not uncertain whether he wills to pity, but it is most certain; for that he had willed to be graciously present with Moses, he had previously promised. So

in Xenoph. Polit. ii. 6, ἐὰν ἡ πόλις διδοίη οἰκοδομησάμενοις ἐγκλητῆσθαι, οἳ ἂν αἰτούμενοι ἄξιοι δοκοῦσιν εἶναι, i. e. those seeking the privileges of the city, who may appear worthy. Thucyd. vi. 14, ὅς ἂν for εἴ τις and vi. 16, and ii. 44. Demosth. c. Neaer. 1386, 17.

ψιθυρισταί καταλάλοι.

In Rom. c. i. v. 30, 31. Paul enumerates together, ψιθυριστάς, καταλάλους ὑβριστάς, ὑπερηφάνους, ἀλαζόνας, ἄσυνδέτους, ἄσπόνδους, ἀστόργους, ἀπλήμονας. On each of which terms I will speak briefly.

Ψιθυρισταί and καταλάλοι so far agree, that they both mean, a calumniator. They differ however; for the ψιθυριστής, is he who spreads calumny secretly and whispers it in the ear,^d καταλάλος is he who slanders openly. So they are distinguished in 2 Cor. xii. 20, on which place Suidas says, ψιθυρισμός· ἡ τῶν παρόντων κακολογία, παρὰ τῷ ἀποστόλῳ. Kuster prefers ἀπόντων. But it makes little difference. The slander

^d From קלל *latuit, occultavit*, and from the same source the Latin *susurrus*; another instance of the Hebrew hard sound of ק being altered in two languages, into an *s* in the one, and an aspirated *t*, ת, in the other. *N. B.*—The same word, with the formative מ, הַקְלַמַּת, is the original of μυστηριον, *mysterium*, mystery.—T.

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not altogether contrary to the truth that James may be teaching here in accordance with the forms and practices of the other Apostles, and with former custom ; and partly from the unwillingness to introduce a doubtful interpretation ; for the passage, even in their own way, is of no avail to the Romanists. James advises the application of anointing, together with prayer, for the healing of the sick ; they never administer extreme unction but when no hope of recovery remains ; and they never apply it with the view to recovery, but merely as a means of smoothing the path to heaven for the dying, as appears in the *Catechismus Romanus*.^f

^f The Catechism of the Council of Trent, used by the authority of Pope Pius V. It has been recently translated into English by Professor Donovan of Maynooth, and the Latin copies are exceedingly scarce. A Protestant controversialist, however, must never confide in the English version without comparing it with the Latin, as Mr. Donovan's text is in many instances softened, according to the present policy of the Romanists, to meet the spirit of these times. The Latin only has the authority of the church ; and Mr. Donovan's version will at any convenient season be thrown overboard. The whole tenor, however, of the teaching of the Roman Catechism, is completely at variance with the passage of James on which they profess to found their superstitious ceremony. Practically, their superstitious ceremony has no application whatever to the recovery of the sick. It is only regarded as a preliminary to death. It is called in the Catechism "the sacrament of dying

of things that are false, but *καυχήσασθαι* to boast conceitedly of things in themselves true.

The *ὑβρισταί* differ from both the former. These are the insolent, who, from pride, not only treat others with contempt, but with contumely and injury. The *ὑβριστής* cares for no man, but thinks himself at liberty to act towards any one as he pleases; who put forth their pride in injurious actions. Vid. Eustath. ad Odys. α, p. 51. and Wettsten. ad N. T. ii. p. 28. The three words, therefore, differ in degree. In *ἀλαζονία* there is no contempt, but only silly ostentation. In *ὑπερηφάνια* there is contempt of others and contumely. In *ἔβρις* there is contempt with injury. Xenophon contrasts *σώφρονες* with *ὑβρισταί*. Cyrop. iii. 1. 12. Ages. 10. 2, and the *ὑπερηφάνοι* are contrasted with *ταπεινοί* in James iv. 6. 1 Pet. v. 5.

To these words we may add a fourth, *αὐθάδης*, which occurs in Titus i. 7; 2 Pet. ii. 10. It signifies that viciousness of life which arises out of a self-satisfaction, that can approve of nothing but the doings of self. It designates him who does not accommodate himself to others; and is consequently unaccommodating and morose. Aristotle calls him *δύσκολος*. It is therefore often united with *σκληρός* and *θρασύς*; as in Pet. ii. 10, with *τολμητής*. (Eunap. de

Leg. p. 217, *τολμηρότατοι καὶ αὐθάδεις*.) But in this passage *τολμηταὶ αὐθάδεις*, are not the rash, who seek only to please themselves, but the petulant and cruel, who care for no one; and certainly a bishop should not be *αὐθάδης*, but mild and *σεμνός*.

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The difference between *ἄστοργοι ἀνελεήμονες* may be readily traced from what has been already said on the word *ἔλεος*.

(*ἁμαθεῖς*) *ἀσθήρικοι ἀσθινεῖς ἄρρωστοι*.

The two former words occur together in 2 Pet. iii. 16, *καὶ οἱ ἁμαθεῖς καὶ ἀσθήρικοι στρεβλοῦσιν εἰς τὴν ἰδίαν αὐτῶν ἀπώλειαν*. We may admit at once, that, if used in their proper sense, they are not synonymous. But as, in this passage, the *ἀσθήρικοι* may be those who are not yet sufficiently established in religious knowledge, they may properly be compared with the *ἁμαθεῖς*. The *ἁμαθεῖς* are those who have not learned that which they might and ought to have learned, who have not had proper instruction and discipline. Xenoph. Mem. iv. 1. 4, *παιδευθέντας καὶ μαθόντας — ἀπαιδευτοὺς καὶ ἁμαθεῖς*. They are therefore the untutored; but the *ἀσθήρικοι* are they who have learned, but have not been adequately taught and confirmed, who yet need definite religious knowledge. It were scarcely necessary to notice this, but that interpreters have endeavoured to attach to the word *ἁμαθης*, the idea of perversity and impiety, with the view probably to justify the further affirmation of Peter, that they pervert the difficult passages of Paul's writings to their destruction. But what then should we say of

the ἀσθενῶν, unless we suppose that these also bear the blame of their own infirmity? For the ἀπώλεια is not the penalty of crime, but the evil which arises spontaneously from ignorance, although that ignorance be blameless. They render ἀμαθής, indocile; but they could not easily justify this rendering, unwilling to be taught. The case is different, if it is said ἀμαθής, s. ἀμαθίστιμος πρὸς τι. But there is no need of this. For they who are so untaught and unstable, do pervert the διδασκίαν of Paul to their own hurt. They ought already to be σοφοὶ καὶ εἰδότες.

But in 1 Corinth. xi. 30, ἀσθενεῖς καὶ ἄρρωστοι, are used together; and they are rendered by Luther, *Schwache und Kranke*. If we give heed to the old grammarians, ἄρρωστοι and νοσούντες differ; and, on the contrary, ἀσθενεῖς and ἄρρωστοι appear to be identical in meaning, if we consider their composition. Yet they differ; for they are ἀσθενεῖς who have not strength, infirm, imbecile; they are ἄρρωστοι the strength of whose powers has failed, languid, sick. *Cicero de clar. or.* 180. *infirmus atque etiam aegra valetudine fuit.* So in Xenoph. Apol. 30, ἄρρωστος τὴν ψυχὴν is he who is sick in spirit; but in Agesil. 9. 5, ἀσθενεῖα ψυχῆς is weakness of mind, on account of which he avoids effort, as ἰ τῷ

ἀδυναστίας θανάτου βίαν μεμοῖμενος. He is ἀδυνῆς who has naturally no strength. He is ἀβήλων who has lost his strength by disease. *Xenoph. Memor. ii. 6. 12, εἰ φύσει ἀδυναστῶντι τῷ σώματι. Id. Oeconom. 4. 2, τῶν σωμάτων θηλυτομένων καὶ αἱ ψυχὴ ἀβήλωνται γίνονται.* Although it must be at the same time admitted that both are predicated of the sick, both in the New Testament and other writings. Many suppose that the notion of sickness is intended by the word *κάμνον* in James v. 15, καὶ ἡ εὐχὴ τῆς πίστεως ἔγερει τὸν κάμνοντα; especially because the word *ἀδυναμι* occurs in verse 14. And, therefore, the papists bring forward this passage to prove the sacrament of extreme unction. But although we should concede that *κάμνον* may mean to be sick, (vid. Wetsten, ad N. T. ii. 1. 680,) yet it may be doubted whether, in this instance, it does not mean distress of mind. Such is evidently its meaning in Heb. xii. 3, ἵνα μὴ κάμῃτε ταῖς ψυχαῖς ὑμῶν, and Apocal. ii. 7. κεκοπίας ἀλλ' οὐ κέκμηκας. For *κάμνειν* properly is to be labouring or distressed with any thing; *κάμνων* is he whose strength gives way in consequence of excessive labour; whence *κάμνοντες* and *κεκμηκότες* (but not *κάμνοντες*) are the dead, whose labours are ended. I do not press this conjecture, however, partly because it is

CHAPTER VI.

A WANT of minute attention to the force of synonymous terms is not only a great impediment to those who are seriously engaged in the interpretation of the New Testament; but also in a point of still greater magnitude gives rise to many doubts, which, although they may wear to the unlearned the semblance of importance, will yet be smiled at by men of philological attainment, who, as possessed of extensive erudition, well aware of the usage of words, and wont to proceed themselves with the greatest caution, consider that theologians, in interpreting Greek writings, often confound rashly all words and forms, and conceive that our lexicons are sadly wanting in sound principles. For some persons, when they find words, or forms of speech, in any book of the New Testament, which are rarely or never met with in the others, make use of them as a test in a still higher matter, and deny that the books in which such words are found can be written by the same author as those are in

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from λαλεῖν, which simply implies the use of the human voice and of words. And often they are so made use of by the most elegant writers that they scarcely appear to differ. Yet they differ in the same degree as our *reden* and *sagen*. For λέγειν has reference to the sentiment and the connexion of words; εἰπεῖν relates only to the words which any one has successively spoken. This difference may be learned from those passages in which the two words occur in juxtaposition. Xenoph. Oecon. iv. 23, καὶ ὁ Δούσανδρος . . . εἰπεῖν τί λέγεις, φάναι. Cyrop. i. 4. 12, οἱ παῖδες εἶπον ποτηρὸν λέγεις τὸ πρᾶγμα. Cyrop. v. 1. 10, κάλλιστα, ἔφη, λέγεις . . . τότε μὲν δὴ ταῦτ' εἰπόντες διελύθησαν. Cyrop. vi. 4. 19, εἰ μὲν τις εἰπεῖν τι βούλεται, λεξάτω. Lucian. Hermot. 8. i. p. 747. Μηδαμῶς, ἀλλ' εἰπέ, τι καὶ λέγεις. For in λέγειν the notion inheres of collecting (*colligendi*) words in a sentence or oration, whence, λόγος, λογισμός, &c. διαλεγίσθαι; but in εἰπεῖν the words only are considered which any one utters successively. Hence we may say, εἰπεῖν λόγον, and λόγος of the oration itself; but never λέγειν λόγον, or ῥῆμα. In the same way λέγειν and εἰπεῖν are used in the New Testament, Luke xxi. 3, εἶπεν ἀληθῶς λέγω. xxi. 5, τινῶν λεγόντων περὶ τοῦ ἱεροῦ — εἶπε. xxii. 34, ὁ δὲ εἶπε· λέγω σοι, and elsewhere; and I suspect that it

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may be shown readily, that later writers have made the same distinction. A few examples will suffice. Lucian. Icaromen. ii. p. 776. Luna, says: καὶ τινὰ ἴδω αὐτῶν μοιχεύοντα ἢ κλέπτοντα ἢ ἄλλο τι τολμῶντα νυκτερινώτατον, εὐδὺς ἐπισπασαμένη τὸ νέφος, ἐνεκαλυψάμην. Here if νέφος meant a cloud, he could not have written τὸ νέφος; it must have been without the article, that it might be indicated that the moon involved herself in *some* cloud. All will feel that he could not have written ἡ νεφέλη. Nor, elsewhere, is the article added to this word in the singular, unless a certain particular cloud is intended, as 1 Cor. x. 1, 2. But τὸ νέφος may be put absolutely, because it denotes an indefinite and indistinct mass. In that delightful passage, therefore, of Euripides, (Phoen. v. 166.) which Schiller had probably in his mind, Ἀνεμώκεος εἶδε δρόμον νεφέλας ποσὶν ἐξανύσαιμι δι' αἰθέρος πρὸς ἐμὸν ὁμογενέτορα, the article is wanting. But there is no need νέφος μαρτύρων ἐπισπώμεδα; let us return from this digression.

The Apostle could not write νεφέλην μαρτύρων, he ought to say νέφος. For the Greeks, when they would express a great assembled multitude, which can scarcely be numbered, always write νέφος, never νεφέλη. Homer. Iliad. δ, 274. ψ, 183, νέφος πεζῶν. Iliad. ρ, 243, νέφος πολέμου. ib. v. 755. ψάρων νέφος ἢ κολοιῶν; also νέφος ὀρνέων

Aristoph. Avib. v. 296, νέφος στρούδων ib. v. 579. and many other instances. But in this sense never, as far as I know, is νεφέλη found; neither is it ever used in the New Testament for a multitude. Therefore, since the Apostle could not use another word, it is vain to adduce this passage in proof of a difference of style. For if we should concede, that he might have written πλήθος μαρτύρων, yet the word νέφος which he has used, in this sense cannot be compared with νεφέλη; neither is it necessary to suppose that this form is borrowed from the LXX, when it occurs among all writers, and that most frequently rare words and elegant forms of speech are found in those writers whose style is the least artificial; which forms, if they are found in any other writer whom he might have had before him, would still not give ground to suspect imitation; or to conjecture a common national origin of both writers; unless it were manifest also, that such words and forms were entertained by both, in some peculiar sense unknown to writers in general. Therefore, also, in the Epistle to the Hebrews, we must, in the first place, inquire, whether those forms of speech which, in the other books of the New Testament, are never or rarely found, and certainly not in the Epistles of Paul, are

used in a peculiar sense and manner foreign to other writers, which only occurs in cases where the quotation is made from the Septuagint.

But it bears still more closely on this point, that some think they have observed certain words, in the Epistle to the Hebrews, for which Paul, in a similar case, would have used different words; although, if we accurately examine the whole matter, it will appear that they are synonyms of the very same thing, but, which is of the nature and essence of synonyms, presented under a different aspect and mode of thought.

διατάσσειν διαστέλλεσθαι.

Both these words occur often in the New Testament. Paul uses them in Galat. iii. 9, in speaking of the law, διαταγείς δι' ἀγγέλων. Of this solemn interdict, Exod. xix. 12, 13, he thus speaks in the Epistle to the Hebrews, xii. 20, οὐκ ἔφερον τὸ διαστελλόμενον. Some therefore say διατάσσειν has the same meaning as διαστέλλεσθαι, but that Paul never uses the latter word; for that, in a similar case, he writes διαταγείς, and that, therefore, had Paul been the author of the Epistle to the Hebrews he would have written in this instance as in others, τὸ διαταγέν. All, however, will surely see it rash to assume that διατάσσειν and διαστέλλεσθαι have

the same meaning; and that if Paul had been speaking of this particular interdict he would have said τὸ διαταγέν, because elsewhere he had written ὁ νόμος διαταγείς. But, before we show how these words differ, let us inquire of these persons whether they think Paul could have written ὁ νόμος διαστελλόμενος. Surely they will agree that he could not. For though the two words agree in this, that each word has the force of, disposing, yet they differ, inasmuch as they signify a different mode of the same power.

Διατάσσειν is so to dispose matters that each is in its own place, or to put in order, to arrange; διαστέλλεσθαι properly is so to separate, that nothing should be in a wrong place or mode. Hence διατάσσειν is used for any ordinance or prescribed arrangement; διαστέλλεσθαι frequently denotes separation, interdict. διατάσσειν is to dispose, to constitute; διαστέλλειν to arrange in different parts, and, in the middle voice, διαστέλλεσθαι to interdict. Nor is it casually used in this sense in the middle voice. See Matth. xvi. 20, διαστείλατο τοῖς μαθηταῖς ἵνα μηδενὶ εἴπωσιν. Mark v. 43. (Luke viii. 56, παρήγγειλε μηδενὶ εἰπεῖν); vii. 36; ix. 9. In these passages there is the notion of warning against an act, i. e. interdicting. (One passage occurs,

Acts xv. 24, where it appears to denote a mandate simply, as in Diodorus Siculus, xi. 38.) Hence, therefore, τὸ διαστελλόμενον, in this place, is an interdict; which was the fact. But a very different meaning exists in the passage ὁ νόμος διαταγεί; δι' ἀγγέλον viz. that the law is constituted and disposed by the ministry of angels.* This is evident, if we look at the origin of the words. τάσσειν is properly to place in a certain juxtaposition or series; στέλλειν is, not to send, according to the lexicons, but, to put in a place, or to deposit in a place, whence arise the notions of preparing, arranging, &c. It is not similar to the German *stellen*. Hence στέλλισθαι ἀπὸ τινος is to avoid a thing, as it were, to put oneself in another place, as 2 Thess. iii. 6, στέλλισθαι ὑμᾶς ἀπὸ παντὸς ἀδελφοῦ ἀτάκτως περιπατοῦντος. The glossaries give it correctly *in loc.* στέλλισθαι, ἀφίστασθαι, ἀναχωρεῖν. See also 2 Cor. viii. 20, στελλόμενοι τοῦτο, μή τις ὑμᾶς μωμήσται. Erasmus is correct as to the sense, when he

* See a valuable paragraph on the word *διαταγή*, in Bui-cer's Ecclesiastical Thesaurus, a work of almost indispensable importance to theological students. It is a mine of erudite and apt quotation, from which many have drawn the means of their pretensions to learning, without having the candour to admit their obligation to the lord of the soil.—
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says that the idea is taken from the fact of sailors avoiding a rock; but it is, at the same time, an error in the scholiasts to say, that *στελλισθαι* properly relates to a voyage or a naval expedition. In the same way, Polybius says, viii. 17, οὐ δυναμένους καθόλου τὴν ἐκ τῆς σπηθείας καταξίωσιν στέλλισθαι, i. e. to remove or reject. Therefore, as ἀποστελλειν is to send away, to dismiss, ἀκαστέλλειν to repress or put down, καταστέλλειν to suppress, συστέλλειν to contract, or to arrange or confine in one place, so διαστελλειν is to allocate in different parts or places, to separate; and therefore διαστελλισθαι is spoken of an interdict, because he who interdicts from any thing is considered to do the same thing as if he actually separated him whom he interdicted, from that which he has interdicted. And this explains the use of the middle voice; for it often occurs that middle verbs, while the proper relative notion is preserved, are at the same time referred to an object. In this passage, therefore, τὸ διαστέλλόμενον means an interdict; neither could the author of the Epistle, be he whom he may, have written διατεταγμένοι.

I will add another instance which is wont to be adduced from the Epistle to the Hebrews.

ἀμετάθετος. ἀπαράβατος. βεβαιος.

They say that in Hebrews vi. 17, 18, ἀμετάθετος

s used, and in vii. 24, ἀπαράβατος, when in other books of the New Testament, and by Paul himself, βεβαιος would have been. But though sound philologists would smile at such a statement, let them bear with us while we touch this briefly. Ἀπαράβατος does not mean, as some say, immutable; (for παραβαίνειν is in- correctly rendered to change,) but, that which does not pass away, or migrate; ἀμετάδετος, is that which is not changed; βεβαιος that which remains in its place. It is true that there is in these words the common idea of firmness and constancy, as in ἀκίνητος, ἀμετάκίνητος, ἰδραῖος; but he would err who should say that they so signified the same thing that he who meant that which was ἀμετάδετος or ἀπαράβατος, could say also that it was βεβαιος. Certainly to express the notion which the Apostle had conceived in the former passage, vi. 17, 18, he ought to have written τὸ ἀμετάδετον τῆς βουλῆς αὐτοῦ. For ἀμετάδετος is constant and immutable, for it is frequently said of those things which consist and change not, but remain ever the same. But βεβαιος is firm, immoveable, certain, fixed. If, therefore, he had written τὸ βεβαιον τῆς βουλῆς he would only have affirmed that the will of God is certain and fixed; but when he wished to affirm that it is immutable, that which

ever the same, and changes not with other things, then he uses ἀμετάθετον, as Diod. Sicul. xiii. 83, reads νόμους ἀμετάθετους. xvi. 69, ἀμετάθετον διαφοραν. i. 23, ἰσχυραν πίστιν καὶ ἀμετάθετον; and other authors. On the contrary, when he wishes to say no more than firm, certain, fixed, then Paul writes βεβαιος, as vi. 19, ἀγκυραν τῆς ψυχῆς ἀσφαλῆ τε καὶ βεβαίαν. iii. 6, παρρησία βεβαία. ix. 17, διαθήκη ἐπὶ νεκροῖς βεβαία, &c. Nor in the other passage, vii. 24, would he have written βεβαία ἱερωσύνη, but he ought to have written ἀπαράβατος. He wished to say that the priesthood of Christ did not pass from one to another priest, for that Christ was a priest for ever, εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα, and this notion was expressed by the word ἀπαράβατος. He might have said ἀδιάδοχος; but if he had written βεβαία, he would have been very wide of what he intended; nay, he would have spoken foolishly, for the Levitical priesthood itself was βεβαιος but not ἀπαράβατος, for that may be the one which is not the other, as a kingdom may be βεβαίος although it passes successively into other hands, διὰ τὸ θανάτῳ καλύεσθαι αὐτοὺς παραμένειν. Lastly, it is no ground for surprise that these words occur only in the Epistle to the Hebrews; for the same things are not treated of in all the Epistles. Neither has Paul demonstrated in

his other epistles that the priesthood of Christ is perpetual, and not to pass to others. Otherwise it appears absolutely certain to us, that he would have used the word ἀπαράβατος. Occumenius, in *loc.* rightly adds, ἀδιαδοχον, ἀτέλευτον, for that which in the same respect remains now, is in that respect, without end, ἀτέλευτος.

Several examples of synonyms might be adduced from the Epistle to the Hebrews, which by many persons would be accounted expressions of precisely equal force, and from which they would conclude rashly that the author had used peculiar terms in communicating the same idea, as v. c. εἰς τὸ διηνεκές, εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας. ἀδόκησις, παλαιότης· ἀντίτυπον, σκιά· μέτοχον εἶναι, δεξασθαι ὀλιγωρεῖν, καταφρονεῖν νόθου, ἐκ πορνείας γεννηθεῖς. βραχύ τι, πρὸς ὥραν; and many others which are brought forward as a cumulative proof that in this Epistle the same ideas are very differently expressed from what they are in other books of the New Testament, and that therefore it is not probable that Paul was its author. One example may suffice, which properly does not belong to our subject, but yet is not very foreign to that subtilty of distinction which the discussion of synonyms requires. There are constructions of the same words, with different cases, whence it results that although the same

thing is intended, yet the mode of thought in which it is presented is different. Among these we may notice,

κρατεῖν τινός and *κρατεῖν τι*.

These expressions are considered to mean the same thing; and even the Lexicons do not notice the difference of the force of the two constructions. Seeing, therefore, that in the Epistle to the Hebrews, *κρατεῖν* is only found twice with the genitive, but in the other Pauline Epistles always with an accusative, it is affirmed that this is idiomatic and peculiar to this epistle; and that Paul in those passages would have written *κρατεῖν* with an accusative. They should, however, have inquired first, whether *κρατεῖν* really has the same meaning with either case; and if not, then it is false that *κρατεῖν τινός* is idiomatic in this epistle. For it is true, that in this epistle the word is not found with an accusative: (It occurs but twice altogether, c. iv. 14, and vi. 18,) but the reason is, that the Apostle has only used the word where he wished to express that, which, to be understood by his readers, he must have written *κρατεῖν* with a genitive construction.

Generally speaking, with respect to words, which may be construed with an accusative or a genitive case, this rule appears to obtain;

that if they occur with an accusative, the relation is between them and the whole thing in question; if with a genitive, the relation is only to a part. So far, therefore, a difference appears between *κρατεῖν τινός* and *κρατεῖν τι* that *κρατεῖν τινός* signifies only to take hold of a thing, or to possess it; but *κρατεῖν τι* to have and to hold in his power. For although, *κρατήσαι τινός* is often said of one who has possessed a certain thing, and has it now under his power;^b yet I doubt whether passages occur in which *κρατεῖν τι* is put simply for to take, to possess, as *κρατεῖν τινός* occurs repeatedly (Luke viii. 54. Mark i. 31; v. 41; ix. 27. Matth. ix. 26,) except when the additional notion exists also of a certain force by which any one desires to seize a reluctant person, and bring him under control. So Matth. xiv. 3, *κρατήσας τὸν Ἰωάννην*,

^b Fischer, in his *Prolusions on the Faults of the existing Lexicons for the New Testament*, p. 474. in remarking on the force of the word *ὑπερτάζω* in 1 Cor. ix. 27, that it has the same power as *ὑπεράσσειν* and *κρατεῖν*, says in a note. "In the same way as love (*Chariton* vi. 3.) is said *κρατεῖν τῶν θεῶν*, that is, to rule over them. For *κρατεῖν* differs from *κατὰ* in this respect, that *κατὰ* means simply to conquer; but *κρατεῖν* so to conquer that the conquered party is subjected to, and in the power of the conqueror. *Plato Orat.* 12. *Xen. Cyrop.* vi. 1, 21."—*T.*

ἔδησιν. xviii. 28, κρατήσας αὐτοὶ ἐπύργε. xii. 6. κρατήσαντες τοὺς δούλους ὕβρισαν. xxvi. 4, ἵνα τὸν Ἰησοῦν κρατήσωσι ὁδῶ καὶ ἀποκτείνωσιν, in which instances the accusative must be rendered in connexion with both verbs, as in Matth xii. 11, κρατήσῃ αὐτὸ καὶ ἐγερεῖ. And that this distinction obtains among other Greek writers, may be shown by examples. So in Sophocles Oed. Col. v. 1380. τοὶ γὰρ τὸ σὸν θάκημα καὶ τοὺς σοὺς θρόνους κρατοῦσιν, i. e. they hold; but immediately afterwards in v. 1385, we find μήτε γῆς ἰμφυλίου δορὶ κρατῆσαι, to bring into subjection. So in Aristophanes Avib. v. 419. κρατεῖν ἂν ἢ τὸν ἐχθρὸν, ἢ φίλοιςιν ὠφελεῖν ἔχειν. The Scholiast says, σημειωτέον, ὅτι τὸ κρατεῖν συνέταξεν αἰτιατικῇ. But this is made out by the text itself. The sense is: By which thou mayest control thine enemy, or benefit thy friends. For that the idea is, not that of conquering an enemy or reducing him to subjection, but rather that of having control over him, is made evident by the disjunctive conjunction; for the opposition is not to the idea of procuring friends, but to that of doing them good. In the same way, it occurs in Xenophon. de Exped. Cyri. v. 6. 3, κέρατα τοῦ ὄρους ὑψηλὰ, ἃ κρατεῖν κατέχοντες καὶ πάνυ ὀλίγοι εὐνῶντ' αὐν. In which the notion evidently is, not that of occupying, but of holding, ob-

taining, in opposition to the enemy. Nor is this contradicted by a passage in Hist. Graeca vii. 3. 4, where the words, ἔγνω οὐκ ἂν δυνάμενος, τῶν Θηβαίων ἔχοντων τὴν ἀκρόπολιν, τῆς πόλεως κρατεῖν, are rendered “since he knew that he could not retain the city in his power;” according to a previous assertion, τοῦ μὲν ἄστεως ἐκράτει. I doubt, however, whether πόλις and ἄστυ have the same meaning here. It is contrary to the elegant accuracy of Xenophon, that these two words should stand in juxtaposition in the same passage to express a similar idea. Doubtless πόλις, in this passage, as is frequently the case in this author, means “the state.”¹ Euphron, therefore, understood, that although he occupied the city, he could not command the whole state, while the prefect Thebanus held the citadel, and he wished therefore to persuade the Thebans that they should eject the leading men who were with him in the tower, and then give up the state to him, (παραιδοῦναι τὴν πόλιν.) The word occurs in a similar way in Thucyd. vi. 11, καὶ τοὺς μὲν, κατεργασάμενοι, πᾶν

¹ Phavorinus, says πόλις, καὶ ὁ τόπος, καὶ οἱ κατοικοῦντες. both the place and its inhabitants; and the Lexicon Xenophonticum gives a number of instances, in which Xenophon has used the word expressly in the sense of *civitas*, or the state.—T.

κατάσχοιμεν, τῶν ὃ εἰ καὶ κρατήσαιμεν, διὰ πολλοῦ γε καὶ πολλῶν ὄντων, χαλεπῶς αἰ ἀρχὴν δυναίμεθα; and at the end of the chapter, χρὴ δὲ μὴ πρὸς τὰς τύχας τῶν ἐναντίων ἐπαίρεισθαι, ἀλλὰ τὰς διανοίας κρατήσαντας θάρσειν.

From these instances, it is evident that, in both places in the Epistle to the Hebrews, κρατῆσαι should be written with a genitive, for in both cases it denotes, to take, not to hold. For in c. vi. 18, it is said that God interposed a certain evidence of his unchangeable will, "that they might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope," &c. κρατῆσαι τῆς ἐλπίδος. The καταφυγόντες are the wretched who grasp at this hope, as suppliants do the altar. (Eurip. Iphig. in Aul. v. 911.) Neither should ἐπὶ τὸν Θεόν, be supplied after καταφυγόντες, for they have fled to the hope itself, of which they had not yet become possessed. Nor must the word be compared with ἀποφυγεῖν in 2 Pet. ii. 20; but καταφυγόντες must be strictly connected with κρατῆσαι as an infinitive is often joined with a verb, signifying motion or desire, Matth. xi. 7, 8, 9. Κρατῆσαι therefore, in this place, means not to retain, but to apprehend, to take hold, as in Acts xxvii. 13, ὁρῶντες τῆς προθέσεως κρατηκένοι "supposing that they had obtained

their purpose." In the other passage the force of *κρατῆν* is precisely the same, c. iv. 14, ἔχοντες οὖν ἀρχιερεῖα μέγαν — κρατῶμεν τῆς ὁμολογίας. For ὁμολογία here does not denote the religion which we profess, but the paction or covenant, that which is agreed on. For in c. iii. 1, Jesus is said to be ἀπόστολος καὶ ἀρχιερεὺς τῆς ὁμολογίας, i. e. μεσότης τῆς διαθήκης, not because he is the teacher of religion, but because, as a priest, he provides that we should obtain τὸ ὁμολογούμενον, that is, the grace of God and salvation, concerning which the Apostle is treating. Hence, therefore, κρατῆσαι τῆς ὁμολογίας is not to be steadfast in the confession of our faith, according to the popular interpretation, but rather to act with all earnestness, so that we may obtain those blessings, of which our High Priest is the procurer, i. e. κρατῆσαι τῆς προκειμένης ἐλπίδος.

But if this criticism shall appear to some to have in it more of subtilty than truth, this, at least, I trust that equitable judges will concede to me, that when they exercise their own ingenuity in some deeper and more difficult crisis, they will permit to me, in turn, in the explication of words, the same degree of license which they claim for themselves.

CHAPTER VII.

THE right knowledge of particles, in which the Greek language abounds, is attended with much difficulty; but especially in those which, as they serve almost as a common, or at least very closely allied, mark of the relation which they express, are properly accounted synonyms. For although the degree in which they differ is often so subtle, that it seems to be not always preserved by men who write with less of accuracy and elegance, yet it must never be neglected, if we would strictly investigate the meaning of the sacred writers. And though we know well the great need of caution, lest we rashly judge the style of these men by the strict rules of elegant writing, or attempt to emend their composition by rigid grammatical rules; yet such is the force of custom in the use of words, that even unlearned men are compelled to obey it; and therefore it will always be worth while to consider accurately, the peculiar and distinct force of each separate particle which they use. As an example we will refer to

ἄνευ and *χωρίς*

which appear to differ so little, that it scarcely matters which is used in a sentence, when the idea to be expressed is the separation or absence of one thing from another. For undoubtedly they agree in this, that they both indicate that relation in which the object is regarded as separate or absent from the subject. As if I command any one to do something *ἄνευ γογγυσμῶν*, 1 Pet. iv. 9. I wish all murmurings to be absent; or when it is said of our Lord that he spoke *οὐ χωρίς παραβολῆς* Matt. xiii. 24; in the same way almost it would be thought, that he did not speak without a parable, and consequently there may be those who would think, that in this passage it might have been written *οὐκ ἐλάλει ἄνευ παραβολῆς*. But there is this difference between the two particles, that *χωρίς* is referred to the subject as separated from the object; *ἄνευ* is referred to the object which is regarded as absent from the subject. When, therefore, I say a thing is done *ἄνευ τινός*, I mean, *that* is done when *this* is not present; but when I mean, that that which was done was not present with a certain thing, then I must say it was done *χωρίς τινός*. It is therefore rightly said in Matth. x. 29, *ἐν ἑξ αὐτῶν οὐ πείσεται ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν ἄνευ τοῦ πατρὸς ὑμῶν*, that is, not

even a sparrow dies, so that the Father is not present, *i. e.* unconscious or unwilling. (See Ducker. ad Thucyd. iv. 78.) But if *χωρίς* had been put instead of *ἄνευ*, it would only have affirmed that *nos* swallow is absent from the Father, when it falls to the ground. In the same way we find *ἄνευ λόγου* 1 Pet. iii. 1, but *χωρίς ἡμῶν* 1 Cor. iv. 8; Heb. xi. 40, and *χωρίς πίστεως* Heb. xi. 6; vii. 7. 20. For *ἄνευ πίστεως* would be, without faith aiding and assisting; but what he wished to say was, if any one was actually destitute of faith. And *χωρίς ἡμῶν* is not when we are not present with you, but when ye are actually separated from us. And if in Heb. xi. 40, it had been written *μὴ ἄνευ ἡμῶν τελειωθῶσι*, the false assertion would have been made, “that these men might not without us, *i. e.* without our aid and volition, be blessed.” But what was wished to be said was, that they should not be blessed otherwise than we, but even as we, through faith and piety, in the midst of calamities. The particle therefore must be *χωρίς*, separately, apart from.

The reason is quite evident also in John xv. 5, *χωρίς ἐμοῦ οὐ δύνασθε ποιεῖν οὐδέν*, *i. e.* separate from me, *εἰὰν μὴ μείνητε ἐν ἐμοί*, v. 4, 6, (conf. John i. 3.) So Ephes. ii. 12, *ἥτε χωρίς Χριστοῦ*, *i. e.* ye were far from Christ, as the context shews,

ἀπηλλοτριωμένοι τῆς πολιτείας τοῦ Ἰσραήλ. ἄνευ Χριστοῦ ἦτε, would be only, Christ was not present with you. And hence, therefore, οὐκ ἐλάλει χωρὶς παραβολῆς could not be changed into ἄνευ παραβολῆς, for this would refer it to the word παραβολῆς, when in fact χωρὶς applies more directly to the speaker; and ἄνευ παραβολῆς λαλεῖν, if indeed it could be said at all, would signify that he spoke without a parable being present. Nor is this opposed by Rom. x. 14, χωρὶς κηρύσσοντος. For though it might have been ἄνευ κηρύσσοντος, yet the whole formula required that which is written; πῶς δὲ ἀκούσουσι χωρὶς κηρύσσοντος, i. e. separated from him who teaches; for this appears to be the mind of the Apostle, rather than, if no teacher be present, as he is frequently interpreted. But ἀκούειν ἄνευ κηρύσσοντος would be—to hear alone, without a teacher.

Besides, unless I am altogether mistaken, an abundant proof of this distinction lies in the fact, that χωρὶς is not only used with a genitive, but by itself, absolutely, as an adverb; whilst ἄνευ invariably has as its adjunct the genitive of the thing assumed to be absent. For since χωρὶς is referred to the subject, and ἄνευ to the object, it is necessary that, to the particle ἄνευ, the object should be added; but χωρὶς expresses absolutely and alone the full idea of the rela-

tion to be noted; and therefore the introduction of the object is needless. So that we may say *χωρίς εἶναι*, or *χωρίς ποιῆν τι*; but we cannot say *ἄνευ εἶναι*, and *ἄνευ ποιῆν*; neither did the Greeks say *ἄνευ ποιῆν*, but *ἄνευ τινός ποιῆν τινα*, as in that passage of Plato, τοὺς μάλλ' ὀντας ἐστῆναι *ἄνευ ὁποῦ ἂν πᾶν γυναικεῖον ποιήσῃν*. So in the New Testament, John xx. 7, *χωρίς* is used simply and alone, but not *ἄνευ*.

But since it is to be feared that, in the interpretation of important passages of the New Testament, the notice of this distinction may be thought unnecessary, as though it were of no moment whether any one is noted as absent from a certain thing, or whether the thing is regarded as separated from him, we will adduce one example in those expressions so abundantly discussed,—viz. *χωρίς νόμου*, and *χωρίς ἔργων*, Rom. iii. 21, 28; iv. 6; vii. 8, 9; James ii. 20. Many have interpreted them as if Paul had said, that faith only is sufficient to a man's salvation, even though he lived wickedly; and, therefore, that man, although he do the works of the law, yet is accepted on account of faith alone; which idea is not only opposed to Paul's statement, but even to that of James, with which Luther was somewhat dissatisfied. For when Paul said, in Rom. ii. 13, *οἱ ποιῆται τοῦ*

ἡμῶν δικαιοσύνησιν, he could not, after a short interval, have said also, that man shall be justified, even though the works of the law are wanting. James, however, appears as if he were opposing that idea; for he writes ἐξ ἔργων δικαιοῦσθαι ἀνθρώπου καὶ οὐκ ἐκ πίστεως μόνον. But the accordance is complete if we only consider accurately the proper force of the two particles under discussion. If Paul had written, ἄνευ ἔργων, then his sentence would have contained the notion with which he is charged, and the argument of James would be in contradiction to him. For, if it is true that man is justified ἄνευ ἔργων, i. e. works being altogether wanting or absent, then it follows, that works are not needed; that they may be wanting with perfect safety; and that is false which Paul has affirmed, τοὺς ποιητὰς τοῦ νόμου δικαιοῦσθαι; and the assertion of James would be false also, ὅτιν πίστιν χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων νεκρὸν εἶναι. But it is written, χωρὶς ἔργων, that it may not be supposed that works may be altogether wanting to him who has faith, but that his justification is separate from his works, i. e. although he had not done the works. Therefore, as in the first instance (iii. 21,) it is rightly stated; νυνὶ δὲ χωρὶς νόμου δικαιοσύνη Θεοῦ παρέρχεται, viz. that the divine compassion is manifested separately from the law (as it were not

in connexion with the law, for by the law, which all have violated, is manifested not the δικαιοσύνη, but the wrath of God;) so also in another passage that Apostle has written, with equal correctness, δικαιοῦσθαι πίστει ἄνθρωπον, χωρὶς ἔργων νόμου; i. e. this δικαιοσύνη is altogether separated from the works of the law, and therefore applies itself to man, not because of the works of the law which he has done, (for he has not done them) but by faith. He does not say δικαιοῦσθαι ἄνθρωπον πίστει χωρὶς ἔργων, i. e. τῇ οὐκ ἔχούσῃ τὰ ἔργα, as James says; but δικαιοῦσθαι χωρὶς ἔργων, πίστει, so that the δικαιοσύνη is shown not to be conjoined with the ἔργα νόμου, (as if any one, because he had done certain works of the law had therefore attained the δικαιοσύνη;) but simply by faith, although hitherto he had been utterly destitute of works. Wherefore, it is said, with equal accuracy in the third passage (iv. 6.) ὃς ὁ Θεὸς λογίζεται δικαιοσύνην χωρὶς ἔργων, i. e. although he have been destitute of works, in fact, although he has sinned, yet he describes him as blessed: μακάριος ἄνθρωπος ὃς οὐ μὴ λογίσσεται κύριος ἁμαρτίαν. On the contrary, James has spoken of faith, which, χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων, is dead; that is, κατ' ἐαυτήν, ἐὰν μὴ ἔργα ἔχῃ. For πίστις χωρὶς τῶν ἔργων, is faith separate from works, ἡ οὐ συνηγοῦσα τοῖς ἔργοις, as Paul writes in Rom. vii. 8, 9, χωρὶς

νόμου ἁμαρτία νεκρά. ἐγὼ δὲ ἔζων χωρὶς νόμου ποτὶ. If it had been ἄνευ νόμου, both would have been false; for, νεκρά ἡ ἁμαρτία ἔστι, sin is dead, not because the law is not present, but because sin is without the law; neither is the law the cause of sin, for the law is holy. And he did not live ἄνευ νόμου, i. e. so that the law was not present, for the law was present, but he lived ignorant of the law. As ἄνευ νόμου ποιεῖν τι is to act contrary to law, so ζῆν ἄνευ νόμου is to live contrary to the law, or not to regard the law, to live as though there were no law. The Apostle says, that there was a time in which he lived unconstrained by the law, and in that time “sin was dead,” but when he understood the precepts of the law, οὐκ ἐπιθυμήσεις, then the power of evil arose in him. Chrysostom erroneously supposes (and is followed, as usual, by Theophylact,) that this refers to a time in which the law was not present with him. Truly, therefore, Paul writes, ἐξ ἔργων νόμου οὐ δικαιοθήσεται πᾶσα σὰρξ ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ πάντες γὰρ ἥμαρτον, but πεφανερωται νῦν χωρὶς νόμου δικαιοσύνη θεοῦ, not restricted by the law, without regard to the law; for if God had had respect to the law, he would not have given the δικαιοσύνη, he would have punished. Therefore, χωρὶς ἔργων νόμου δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος. But with equal truth James says,

τὴν πίστιν χωρὶς ἔργων, i. e. free from works, is dead. For as all have come short of the glory of God, and therefore none ἐξ ἔργων δικαιώνται, shall be justified by works, but by faith; so also faith should συνεργεῖν τοῖς ἔργοις, and exhibit by acts its real and living energy. And this is the view of our church, as it is accurately shown by Melancthon in his Apologia.

And hence students should be admonished in the use of common and popular lexicons, not to suppose that particles of the same kind mean precisely the same thing, because they are often rendered in the lexicons by the same Latin word; for although

οὐπω and μήπω

are both rendered by *nondum*, yet undoubtedly they differ. For as οὐ and μή differ (on which point Hermann has written in his edition of Viger,) so also of necessity οὐπω and μήπω will differ; and so will their compounds οὐκέτι, μηκέτι, οὐδέποτε, μηδέποτε, &c. Neither would we regard it as a mere accident, that in Matth. xxiv. 6, we have οὐπω ἐστὶ τὸ τέλος, in John ii. 4, οὐπω ἤκει ἡ ὥρα μου, but in Rom. ix. 11, μήπω γὰρ γεννηθέντων μηδὲ πραξάντων τί ἀγαθὸν ἢ κακόν, and in Heb. ix. 8, μήπω πεφανερῶσθαι τὴν τῶν ἀγίων ὁδόν. In the two former passages, we have a negation of the presence of a future thing. In the

others, it is intimated, that one thing is done before that another thing is considered to be present, to which that appertains. If, therefore, (which could scarcely have been), it had been written *μήπω ἤκει ἡ ὥρα μου*, it would have appeared uncertain whether that time would come, which many believed to be already present. But this was certain, that it would come, and it was beyond a doubt that the time was not yet come. The point denied, therefore, was, that the time was come. On the contrary, Paul could not have written *οὐπω γὰρ γεννηθέντων αὐτῶν ἐγγίση*. For he did not wish to intimate that such a thing was said, when the children were not born, as if they were born, but that it was said with a direct reference to their not being born; *μηδὲ πράξαντες τι ἀγαθὸν ἢ κακόν*. For the force of the argument lies in this, that in the decree of God all regard to fortuitous events is put out of the question. Wherefore if the Apostle had written *οὐπω γεννηθέντων*, he would have said, that the children were not born when this was said; yet that God knew that they were about to be born, and to act well or ill; and therefore that God decreed concerning men yet not born, as though they were; which idea is foreign to the mind of the Apostle, and has given rise to many painful

discussions respecting the divine prescience. He wrote, therefore, *μήπω*, that the negation might be referred to the mind of God in the matter. There is a similar reason for the use of *μήπω* in the other passage, Heb. ix. 8. For it is not denied that the way was then opened; but it is said that the Spirit taught this; and therefore the negation is not to be referred to the matter itself which was absent, but to the thought, for the Spirit admonished men not to think that the way was opened. If he had written *οὐπω* *πεφανερῶσθαι*, the notion of future time would have been introduced, as if the Spirit would teach that the *ὁδός τῶν ἁγίων* was not opened, but that it would be subsequently, which it is evident the Apostle did not mean. Besides, as *οὐ* negatives a thing simply, and *μή* as regarded in the thought, (Hermann ad Viger. p. 807.) so also *οὐπω* and *μήπω* differ in the same way. If I should say, *οὐπω* *τοῦτο*, speaking of any act, I deny that it is yet done, but I infer that it may be done hereafter; but if I say *μήπω* I not only regard it as not done, but I doubt, or at least I do not in any way imply, whether it shall yet be done at any time. I doubt, therefore, whether it could be said in the two passages formerly quoted; *μήπω* *ἐστὶ τὸ τέλος*, and *μήπω* *ἔχει ἡ ὥρα μου*, for by

the particle μήπω the thought of the event occurring subsequently is put away. And therefore in Xenoph. Memorab. iv. 4. 23, we find opposed to each other τὰ ἀκμάζοντα, τὰ μήπω ἐκμάζοντα and τὰ παρηκμακότα. Xenophon did not write τὰ οὕτω ἀκμάζοντα, because the time of the future ἀκμή was not thought of, and therefore it occurs immediately afterwards, τὰ τῶν μὴ ἀκμαζόντων οὐ σπουδαῖα. But to proceed.

I have at different times observed, that the lexicographers get into error in the explanation of compound words; thinking that as the one common notion of the simple word exists in its compounds, therefore the compounds cannot differ between themselves. For although at times it may seem to matter little which compound word a writer makes use of in a particular place, yet it is often needful for us to consider what is the specific force of each.

καταφρονεῖν περιφρονεῖν (ὑπερφρονεῖν)

are either of them rendered, to despise, to contemn, and so far they agree, that each signifies contempt. But the contempt of others is twofold in the cause and the mode of it, either when we think less of others than they deserve, or more of ourselves than we ought. The former idea would be expressed by καταφρονεῖν, the lat-

ter by περιφρονεῖν. To this ὑπερφρονεῖν stands nearly related, as appears from a passage in Aristophanes, (Nubb. v. 226, 227.) where Socrates says, ἀροβατῶ καὶ περιφρονῶ τὸν ἥγιον, Strepsiades would malignantly turn this, ἔπειτ' ἀπὸ ταύτου τοὺς θεοὺς ὑπερφρονεῖς. For he had said περιφρονεῖν, which, as the Scholiast observes, διαλοσήμενόν ἐστι, καὶ ἀντὶ τοῦ περισκοπῶ, καὶ ἀντὶ τοῦ ὑπερφρονῶ. Strepsiades suggests therefore the word ὑπερφρονεῖς, ἵνα διαβάλλῃ τὸν Σωκράτην ὑπερφρονοῦντα τῶν θεῶν, as another Scholiast notices. For he who περιφρονεῖ, i. e. studiously and ambitiously seeks divine things, runs the risk of thinking that he knows more than the Deity, i. e. ὑπερφρονεῖ. They therefore are said, ὑπερφρονεῖν who appear to themselves to be wiser and more prudent than others. If it is said simply, as in Rom. xii. 3, μὴ ὑπερφρονεῖν, παρ' ὃ δεῖ φρονεῖν, it signifies to think more of oneself than is right; for the words παρ' ὃ δεῖ φρονεῖν, explain the word ὑπερφρονεῖν, so that unless the consent of the various codices had confirmed the text, it might have been regarded as an explanatory gloss; for a few codices omit it. The contrary to this is σωφρονεῖν; whence Hesychius writes, περιφρονεῖς· περισωφρονεῖς· ὑπερφρονεῖς. In Titus therefore we find in c. ii. 15, ἔλεγχε αὐτοὺς μετὰ πάσης ἐπιταγῆς, μηδεὶς σου περιφρονεῖτω, “warn them most

seriously, with all authority, that no one think himself above the need of admonition." For if the admonition be only given *κατὰ συγγνώμην* (1 Cor. vii. 6,) it is to be feared lest the hearers should not regard it as applicable to them, and should treat it lightly. So also in Aeschines, *ἤδη περιφρονῶ τοῦ ζῆν*. For he is foolish who despises life. Neither was this the notion of Socrates; but he had learned from the instructions of this wonderfully wise man, *ὅτι, ἢ πάτω, ἢ ἄνω, εὐδαιμονεῖν δεῖ τὸν βεβιωκέντα εὐσεβῶς*, and therefore he now feels himself to be superior, both to the pleasures of life and the fear of death, *ἀτε εἰς ἀμείνω οἶκον μεταστησόμενον*. But a little before he had said *καταφρονῆσαι ὑπερβαλλόντων θνητῶν βίας*. But Paul writes to Timothy, 1 Tim. iv. 12, *μηδεὶς σου τῆς νεότητος καταφρονεῖτω*, let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example. It were false to say that here *καταφρονεῖν* involves in it the having cause of contempt. The proper force of the word is evident in Matth. vi. 24, *ἢ ἰνὸς ἀνδρίζεται, καὶ τοῦ ἑτέρου καταφρονεῖς*, he will disregard, neglect the other. So in Rom. ii. 4, *τῆς μακροθυμίας τοῦ Θεοῦ καταφρονεῖς*, despisest thou, not knowing that the goodness of God, &c. In 1 Timothy vi. 2, it is used in the same sense, *οἱ πιστοὺς ἔχοντας δεσπότας μὴ καταφρονεῖτωσαν, ὅτι ἀδελφοί εἰσιν, ἀλλὰ μᾶλλον δουλεύετωσαν*,

but elliptically, the object being omitted. Finally, when in Heb. xii. 2, Jesus is said, ἀσχύνης καταφρονήσας, it is manifest that the meaning is not that our Lord held himself above the force of contumely, but that he so disregarded or despised the shame, as that he was willing to endure the cross; which is the real force of the word.

Take another example of the words

ἀπαλλάττειν διαλλάττειν καταλλάττειν ἀποκα-
ταλλάττειν

These compounds of ἀλλάττειν, which means strictly to change, (as it were, to do differently), either as to the thing itself, or the external condition and place of it, agree so far as this, that this original force of a change of state or mind exists in them all; but they differ as to the mode of thought, and are therefore properly accounted synonyms.

For ἀπαλλάττειν properly is to remove, and ἀπαλλάττεσθαι ἀπό τινος is to set free from some thing; and therefore, in Heb. ii. 15, it is said of one who, by a certain cause, is delivered and absolved, whether by a friendly paction or a judicial sentence; and more especially of the creditor or the accuser who dismisses the debtor or the guilty. So, Luke xii. 58, ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ δὲ ἐργασίαν ἀπηλλάχθαι ἀπ' αὐτοῦ, which is usually

rendered "Give diligence, that thou mayst be delivered from him, lest he should take thee to the judge." It differs from ἀφείναι; Demosthenes pro Phorm. (p. 952, Reisk.) καὶ ὅσα τις ἀφῆκεν ἢ ἀπήλλαξεν et adv. Pantaen. (p. 966.) περὶ ὧν ἂν τις ἀφείη καὶ ἀπαλλάσσας ἀκάζεταρ (vid. vv. dd. ad Harpocrat. v. ἀφείη). It is worthy of notice also, that ἀπαλλάττειν is said not only of the creditor who sets free the debtor, but of the debtor who satisfies his creditor; which has been shown in many instances by Raphelius and Elsner^k on the above passage, and in Dresigius de verbis mediis, p. 180. In this case, therefore, ἀπαλλάττεσθαι must be understood of the debtor who, before he reaches the judge, would endeavour any how to satisfy his creditor, that he may let him go, and rather to sacrifice something than to stand a trial. And I rather agree with those who do not consider ὁδὸς ἐργασίαν a Latinism, *da operam*, (in which sense I never met with the word), but

^k Elsner, on this passage, says, "Beza has rendered this incorrectly, *ut libereris ab eo*, when its real force is, that thou mayst depart from him," referring to Acts xix. 12, ὅτι ἀπαλασσεσθαι ἀπ' αὐτῶν τὰς νόσους; or rather, "that you may be released by him, as appeased;" and quotes, in support of this, Aristoph. Nubib. 1194.

παρόντες οἱ φύγοντες ἡμέρα μιᾷ

πρότερον, ἀπαλλάττοιθ' ἑαυτοὺς.—T.

that it refers to the sum or compensation given to appease the creditor. The same idea exists in the parallel passage Matth. v. 25, ἴσθι εὐνοῶν τῷ ἀπιδίκῳ σου. These words are rightly explained by Zonaras, (p. 920, and Phavorinus), from an old commentator, καταδέχου μᾶλλον ἀδικῆσαι; and hence it appears, that the word ἀπαλλάττειν does not involve in it properly the notion of reconciling or appeasing, unless it flows from the thought that he who is sent away satisfied is appeased. But this idea will appear more plainly in the words

διαλλάττειν and καταλλάττειν.

They, however, differ; for διαλλάττειν is said of many, καταλλάττειν of one. The former is to cause a mutual enmity to cease, as in Xenophon, διαλλάττειν τὰς πολεμοῦσας πρὸς ἀλλήλους πόλεις. So it occurs once in the New Testament, Matth. v. 24, διαλλάγηθι τῷ ἀδελφῷ σου. It does not mean here, see that he be reconciled to thee, but, see that ye be reconciled to each other. It is not sufficient that he should be no longer angry, but that both parties should be on good terms. And hence, διαλλακτής is one who reconciles hostile parties. (See Hemsterhusius ad Thom. Mag. v. διηλλάγη.) Whilst καταλλάττειν is strictly, so to act as that the opposite party may lay aside his enmity. Ac-

curacy, therefore, required in the above passage of Matthew, *διαλλάγηθι*, not *καταλλάγηθι*; for the latter refers but to one party; the other to both. Neither is this contradicted by a passage in Thucydides (iv. 59.), where the Scholiast says, τὸ δὲ καταλλαγῆναι τὸ διαλλαγῆναι. For he does not say this without addition, and simply; but πρὸς ἀλλήλους καταλλαγῆναι, which is in fact διαλλαγῆναι. Hence, *καταλλαγή*, properly in the singular, is not a mutual reconciliation, but the conciliating of one party. Nor does Aristophanes, *Avibus*, v. 1597, appear to us to have written rashly, *περὶ πολέμοιο καταλλαγῆς*, and not, as the Grammarians would have it, *καταλλαγῶν*. For πόλεμος is taken collectively, as the one enmity of those parties warring, on the subsiding of which the war ceases, and *διαλλάττονται οἱ πολεμοῦντες*. Certainly he could not have written *περὶ πολέμοιο διαλλαγῶν*, as it occurs in v. 1539, and v. 1584. So, in Romans xi. 15, the ἡ ἀποβολὴ τῶν Ἰουδαίων is said to be *καταλλαγὴ κόσμου*, the putting away of the Jews is the means of reconciliation to others; not that it is the cause of the union of Jews and Gentiles in the Christian community; for this would be unmeaning in itself, and foreign to the mind of the Apostle. Neither, in two other passages, Rom. v. 11, and 2 Cor. v. 18,

19, does *καταλλαγή* mean the remission of sins, as if God were appeased, and a mutual reconciliation takes place between God and man. In the former passage, undoubtedly, *καταλλαγή* means the actual reconciliation of men by the death of Christ; for we being enemies *κατηλλάγημεν*; and not that God *κατηλλάγη τῷ κόσμῳ*. In the other passage, the *διακονία τῆς καταλλαγῆς* is not the office of teaching the doctrine of the remission of sins, *i. e.* of the expiation; but it is the office itself, as exercised by the Apostle, of advising, exhorting, beseeching men, *καταλλάγητε τῷ Θεῷ*, *i. e.* the office of effecting the *καταλλαγή*. For it is not that God was the enemy of men; (John iii. 16,) nor was the object to be effected his reconciliation; but that men being *ἐχθροὶ τοῦ Θεοῦ*, should return into favour with God; *i. e.* since by sin they are become adverse to the divine sanctity, and possess a carnal mind inimical to God, (Rom. viii. 7, *τὸ φρόνημα τῆς σαρκὸς ἔχθρου εἰς Θεόν*,) and, therefore, have reason to fear his holy authority, (as it becomes those to do who have not been obedient to the law, and know that they cannot please God,) they may now return to favour with God; that, as is well expressed by Morus, they should not only cease to fear for themselves respecting God, but that they should cease from their resistance to his autho-

rity. We know how much it has obscured the doctrines of the Gospel, that interpreters have not distinguished with sufficient accuracy the words of sacred Scripture; but it is most abundantly shown, by means of this very word, how necessary it is to observe the strict and proper force of all words. We should be careful also not to confound *πλάσσειν* and *καταλλάττειν*. *ἰλασμός* is the cause for the which men may and ought *καταλλαγῆναι τῷ Θεῷ*. Neither is Christ called *ὁ καταλλάσσων*, as *διαλλάσσει* God and man; the word is applied to God himself, for truly it was God who was *ἐν χριστῷ κόσμον καταλλάσσειν ἑαυτῷ, μὴ λογιζόμενος αὐτοῖς τὰ παραπτώματα αὐτῶν*. Wherefore, we must not suppose that these words are said *ἀνδρωποπαδῶς*; for nothing can be said more truly worthy of the holiness and wisdom of the Almighty, than that which is contained in them; except we rashly mix up with them the unfounded notion of an appeasing of the divine anger.

But as the force of *καταλλάσσειν*, inasmuch as it differs from *διαλλάσσειν*, may be abundantly gathered from these passages of the New Testament, so also may it be traced in other Greek writers. So in the *Cyrop.* vi. 6, 2, Orontes is said *καταλλαγεῖς Κύρῳ*. Formerly he had made war on Cyrus, but now he dissembled with

him, ἐπιβουλεύει Κύρῳ, and professed friendship. Cyrus, however, having discovered his deceit, complained of him, and δεξιὰν ἔλαβον καὶ ἰδωκα. Josephus Ant. Iud. vi. 7, 4, παρακαλεῖν ἤρξατο τὸν θεόν, καταλλάττεσθαι τῷ Σαύλῳ καὶ μὴ χαλεπαίνειν vii. 8, 4, τῷ αὐτοῦ παιδί καταλλάγηθαι καὶ τῇ πρὸς αὐτὸν ὀργῇ ἄρως opp. ἀπέχθισθαι τῷ παιδί. And in Book iii. 15, 2, he says, that the Jews entreated Moses that he would be καταλλακτῆς αὐτῶν πρὸς τὸν θεόν, but that Moses refused, because God was not rashly, but deservedly angry with them. In Demosthenes we read, p. 189, 16, ed. Reisk. τοὺς Ἕλληνας ὁρῶν δομένους διαλλακτοῦ, i. e. who would conciliate the offended. Euripid. Iph. in Aul. v. 1157, οὐ σοι καταλλαχθεῖσθα περὶ σὲ καὶ δόμους. conf. Helen. v. 1251. And in Sophocles, Ajac. v. 744, θεοῖσιν ὡς καταλλάχθη χάλου. Schol. ὅπως τὴν ἔχθραν ἀποδῇται. This is said of Ajax, who, through his insanity, was offended with the gods. Further examples are needless.

We have only now to notice ἀποκαταλλάττει, which only occurs twice in the New Testament, Ephes. ii. 16, καὶ ἀποκαταλλάξῃ τοὺς ἀμφοτέρους ἐν ἑνὶ σώματι τῷ θεῷ. and Coloss. i. 20, καὶ δι' αὐτοῦ ἀποκαταλλάξαι τὰ πάντα εἰς αὐτόν. The meaning in the former passage is explained by the Apostle himself in v. 15, ὁ ποιήσας τὰ ἀμρότητα

ω; in the latter by *ὑποταγήσας*, in both there is the same notion which we know to be the proper meaning of *καταλλάττειν*. For the notion of mutual alienation exists not so much in the word itself, as in the whole formula, as may be gathered from v. 22. But then in the word *ἀποκαταλλάττειν*, there seems a greater force than in *καταλλάττειν*; for *καταλλαγίνεις*, are they who return into favour with any one; but *ἀποκαταλλαγίνεις*, are they, who so lay aside their enmity that amity follows; nor does any impediment remain to their living accordantly *ἐν ἑνὶ σώματι*, the one head of which is Christ, Eph. i. 10, *ἀνακεφαλαιώσασθαι τὰ πάντα ἐν τῷ Χριστῷ*. For though in words compounded of two or more prepositions we must not expect to find proportional emphasis,¹ yet care must be

¹ That is emphasis, says Quintillian, ix. 2, where more is signified than is said; or as he says elsewhere, viii. 3, the existence of a deeper thought, than that which words seem to express. Ernesti states more correctly, (See Bibl. Cabinet, vol. i. p. 52.) "that emphasis is an accession to the accustomed meaning of the word; and he adds, in the next section, that no word is emphatic in itself; for every word has a certain definite meaning, and conveys a precise idea in which there can be no emphasis." And therefore emphasis, or additional force, must not be looked for, unless we gather from the mind of the speaker, that some additional force is intended to be added to the customary force of the word, or that the writer evidently meant more than the

taken, not to assume rashly that words of this kind mean only and precisely the same thing. The preposition *ἀπό* has this force, that if it be added to a compound verb, it increases its power, and indicates that the thing intended by that word is done altogether absolutely, or in a greater degree. So *ἀπὸ ἀντιδέχασθαι* is to expect constantly, not only for a certain time, but even to the end, till the expected event happens, Rom. viii. 19; 1 Cor. i. 7. The same remark will apply to *ἀποκαταδοκεῖν*, which Fischer labours to show (de Vit. Lex. N. T. p. 128.) does not differ from the simple word *καταδοκεῖν*. We grant indeed, that emphasis must not be looked for, and that both words may be rendered by the same Latin word, *expectare*; but we deny that the force and meaning of both words is precisely the same, or that

word which he has used conveys. Therefore in comparing such words as *καταδοκεῖν*, *ἀποκαταδοκεῖν*, *ἀντιδέχασθαι*, *ἀπὸ ἀντιδέχασθαι*, *ἐρίζων*, *προερίζων*, *γινώσκων*, *προγινώσκων*, we are not to expect emphasis arising from the compound, but to inquire whether the compound really in itself means more than the uncompounded word. But the whole figment about emphasis, has arisen from the misunderstanding of compound words, as I have shown in my dissertation on the force of prepositions in compound words in the New Testament. Emphasis is not in a word, because it means more by itself than another word, but because he who uses it means more by it, than the word itself would convey.

Polybius, sometimes writing ἀποκαραδοκεῖν, whilst in many other places he writes καραδοκεῖν, had no design in dropping the preposition. Certainly in those places which are adduced, it appears manifest that ἀποκαραδοκεῖν, is said of a man who expects an event, (as we say, *abwarten*.) So on that passage, in Zonaras and Suidas, the word ἀποκαραδοκία, which is attributed to Polybius, ὁ δὲ καθῆστο ἐν τῇ παρεμβολῇ, ἀποκαραδοκῶν, ὅποι καὶ τύχης χωρήσοι τὰ πρᾶγματα. And in Excerpt. de Legat. s. n. 9. (p. 23. ed. Ursin.) συνεβούλευον αὐτῷ, πρεσβευτὰς πέμπειν εἰς τὴν Ῥώμην ὑπὲρ συμμαχίας, ἵνα μὴ δοκῇ τοῖς καιροῖς ἐνεδρεύων ἀποκαραδοκεῖν τὴν Ἀντιόχου παρουσίαν and again (n. 32. p. 65.): ἀπεκαραδόκει τοὺς ἐκ τῆς πόλεως, ἐπὶ τίνος ἔσονται γνώμης. In which passages, the notion here stated is very evident. Also in Polyb. xvi. 1, ἀπεκαραδόκει τὸν κίνδυνον. (conf. Joseph. B. i. iii. 7, 26.)

But καραδοκεῖν, which is properly to stretch forth the head, i. e. to direct the eyes to any thing, (as in Aristoph. Equit. v. 660, ἐκαραδόκησεν εἰς ἐμὴν ἢ βουλὴν πάλιν. Schol. ἀπέβλεψεν) means by itself, according to my opinion, to observe diligently what may be done or may happen, and thence, to expect. And therefore, Hesychius says, καραδοκεῖν προσδοκεῖν, ἐκδέχεται, ἢ ἐπιτηρεῖ τὸ κεφάλαιον τοῦ πρᾶγματος. And in this, Zonaras

the Etymol. Mag., Suidas, and Timaeus agree. Whence also, διακαρδοειν, which word Toup. restores for the word καρδοειν in Suidas; (See Emendat. in Suidam, p. ii. p. 310.) τῇ νύκτ' ἐκείνῃ διακαρδοχήσαμεν, that is, we passed the whole night through expecting.

In this sense, καρδοειν is used by Polybius and others, but all will see that it is scarcely possible, but that in thought we shall subjoin the additional notion, which I have said to be peculiar to ἀποκαρδοειν, viz. the expectation of the event, or happening, of a certain thing; for he who is interested in that which may happen, diligently watches all that is done, and does not expect in the sense in which the word προσδοκειν would be used, i. e. to await the event, as we say, *erwarten*; but in the sense of observing, that he may consider what he should do, if the event occurs either the one way or the other. It is used simply by Philo. (vita Mos. p. 604. ed. Paris.) speaking of the sister of Moses, μικρόν ἄποθεν ἐκαρδοέει τὸ ἀποβησόμενον, which Clemens Alex. expresses by ἐπετηρῇ τὸ ἀποβησόμενον. (vid. Diodor. Sic. xix. 16, Xenoph. Mem. iii. 5, 6.) In Herodotus vii. 168, we find, καρδοχέοντες τὸν πόλεμον ἢ πύσσεται. See Valckenar. who affirms that Diodorus Sic. speaking of the same thing, has written καρδοποιῖν

ταῖς τοῦ πολέμου ῥοπῇς. That *προσδοκῆν* and *καταδοκῆν* differ, will appear from Euripides, *Rhes.* v. 144. *σάλπιγγος αὐδὴν προσδοκῶν καταδόκῃ.*

The word *ἀποκαταδοκία* occurs twice in the New Testament; in *Philipp.* i. 20, *κατὰ τὴν ἀποκαταδοκίαν καὶ ἐλπίδα μου*, and *Romans* viii. 19, *ἡ ἀποκαταδοκία τῆς κτίσεως*. In both places, the notion exists of an expected event. In the former passage, the Apostle said, however ill things went, yet he would be of good courage, because he knew *ὅτι τοῦτο αὐτῷ ἀποβήσεται εἰς σωτηρίαν*; and he calls this anticipated prosperous issue *ἀποκαταδοκία καὶ ἐλπίς*. And in the latter passage, the word could not properly be understood in the force of *προσδοκία*, or simple expectation. It would be sadly tame if it were so rendered, *ἡ ἀποκαταδοκία τῆς κτίσεως τὴν ἀποκάλυψιν τῶν υἱῶν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀπεκδέχεται*, viz. the expectation of the creature (τῆς κτίσεως) expects. It is rather the solicitous and anxious regard to, and desire of, the probable issue in afflictive circumstances, which looks for the *ἀποκάλυψις*. Luther renders it well: *das ängstliche Harren*. But students should be warned not to allow themselves to imagine, that in the explanations of words given by the old lexicographers, all the words which they thus put down together have the same force and meaning; for

they frequently use synonymous terms^m to explain an obscure word. Fischer is wrong in this respect when he endeavours to show that *καταδοκία* and *ἀποκαταδοκία* do not differ. He brings forward the authority of Hesychius, who says, that *ἀποκαταδοκία* is *προδοκία*. But, to return to the word *ἀποκαταλλάττειν*. In this passage is recorded that great and extensive conversion of the state of things on earth which God has decreed to effect by Christ, that all men, freed from pride, covetousness, and the love of foolish vanities, and at length reconciled to God, *καταλλάγέντες τῷ Θεῷ*, encouraged by one hope, and seeking eternal life through one Saviour, should unite in one society or communion, *ἐν ἑνὶ σώματι*, of which the Lord himself is the head, *ὃς παρέδοθη διὰ τὰ παραπτώματα ἡμῶν καὶ ἡγέρθη διὰ τὴν δικαίωσιν ἡμῶν*. And if we do not yet see all nations, nor all professing Christians, realizing this wondrous benefit and blessing, though we do perceive *πᾶσαν τὴν κρίσιν συσπινάζειν καὶ συνωδίνει ἄχρι τοῦ νῦν*, let us cleave more earnestly to the *ἀποκαταδοκία καὶ ἐλπίς* of the Apostle; and while not unduly confident of our own state, but certainly not despairing of a prosperous issue in

^m That is, in the strict sense of the word synonym, as used by Titmann; words ranging together under a common genus, but having each a specific difference.—T.

ernal felicity, ἀπεκδεχώμεθα τὴν υἱοθεσίαν, τὴν
 οκάλυψιν τῶν υἱῶν τοῦ Θεοῦ. Εἰ γὰρ ἔχθροὶ ὄντες
 τηλλάγημεν τῷ Θεῷ, διὰ τοῦ θανάτου τοῦ υἱοῦ αὐτοῦ,
 ἵνα μᾶλλον καταλλαγῆντες σωθῶμεθα ἐν τῇ ζωῇ
 τοῦ. For hereafter, πᾶσα ἡ κτίσις ἀπαλλαγέσεται
 ; ματαιότητος by him, by means of whom God
 s decreed ἀποκαταλλάξαι τὰ πάντα εἰς αὐτόν.

CHAPTER VIII.

SUCH is the abundance of words in the Greek language, which may be accounted synonymous, that the further I proceed in these investigations, I see less reason to hope that I shall bring them to a close. For while my advancing years admonish me, the work grows on my hand; and the limits of such a work seem inadequate to include the many subjects before me. I would not, however, willingly fail those who have not been altogether dissatisfied with my labours, and therefore as yet I proceed in explaining the synonyms of the New Testament.

I would speak, therefore, now of those synonyms which are of frequent occurrence, but to which much difficulty attaches, because the difference existing between them is so frequently lost sight of in common use, that it may be doubted whether even the more elegant Greek writers have always correctly observed it. I speak of those words which relate to the senses, and to things applicable to the senses, such as words of hearing, seeing, feeling, and others;

which, when they are transferred to express the acts of mind, assume a very varied force and character. It occurs in all languages, that the notions of things which pertain to the mind and its various offices, must be expressed by words which have their origin in the several powers of the external senses. But since in all perceptions there is a triple mode of perception, either of the object perceived, or of the subject affected, or of the thought which arises from the relation of both, it follows that words drawn from the powers of the senses, when transferred to the mind, or from the relation of external things, may be used in all the various modes in which the mind is thus moved or affected; although all these several modes may be found conjoined in the same perception. Whence, it may arise, that words of this kind may appear to be capable of a promiscuous use, with no other object in view from their interchange except a certain gratification of elegant taste. So when Socrates, in Xenophon's Memorab. i. 4, 17, is related to have said, τὸ σὸν μὲν ὄμμα δύνασθαι ἐπὶ πολλὰ στάδια ἔκτειναι, τὸν δὲ τοῦ θεοῦ ὀφθαλμὸν ἀδύνατον εἶναι ἅμα πάντα ἑρᾶν there are few but would think that the difference between ὄμμα and ὀφθαλμὸν was such only, that it might have been written

ἕμμα θεοῦ and ὀφθαλμὸν ἀνθρώπου; yet I am quite convinced that Xenophon did not in this instance avoid as a matter of mere elegance the repetition of the same word, but that the use of each was justified by its own peculiar force and meaning. ὀφθαλμός may be applied to the deity, but ἕμμα can only be applied with propriety to men. But let us notice other examples.

βλέπειν ὁρᾶν ἰδεῖν ὀπτισθαι θεᾶσθαι (θεωρεῖν.)

Since the eyes are not only "the light of the body," but the sedulous ministers and satellites of the mind also, it is not surprising that the Greeks should have so many words, which relate properly to the use of the eyes. And the German language also, like the Greek, abounds in words which express the widely extensive functions of the eyes. Of those which occur in the New Testament, we may consider their several relation to, and difference from each other.

βλέπειν is a word of wide extent. It is simply, to use the eyes, to see. He who has sight, βλέπει. It is used of those who recover sight, Luke vii. 21; Matth. xv. 31; John ix. 7. And often in the New Testament, τὰ βλέπομενα are, the things seen by the eyes (ὁρατά are the things which may be seen). Hence

that βλέπειν ἀπὸ τινος means to beware for oneself; for he who wishes to beware of any thing does not turn his eyes from it, (as they say the swallow does), but steadily looks at the object to be avoided; βλέπει μὴ ἰάσχη τι. But as βλέπων εἰς τι is to turn the eyes to a thing, so βλέπων ἀπὸ τινος is to turn away the eyes, as flying from it. In this formula, therefore, the idea is rather to avoid, and to fly from, than to beware of; and this is evident in Mark viii. 15, ὁρᾶτε, βλέπετε ἀπὸ τῆς ζύμης τῶν φαρισαίων, i. e. beware of them, fly from them. Surely he would not twice say, beware; but he wished his disciples not to follow the hollow professions of these men, as xii. 38. And Matth. xvi. 6, ὁρᾶτε, προσέχετε ἀπὸ τῆς ζύμης τ. φ. But, in fact, these pages would not contain the examples, if we are to show how frequently all such formulae are confounded together in our lexicons.

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the sentence; the composition of which requires that the time should be the same in which the man puts his hand to the plough and looks back. Besides, the person to which this relates, had asked permission, before he followed Christ, to bid his friends farewell, which would require him then actually to return home, whilst, at the same time, there existed in his mind the real intention of returning to follow the Lord Jesus, as others, v. 59, 60. It is not, therefore, the inconstancy and vacillation of the man that is thus reproved; for he had said without hesitation, "Lord, I will follow thee;" but that heavy and sensual mind, which even in such a crisis prevented the forgetfulness of external things, and by which the desire for the kingdom of God is repressed and deteriorated. Our Lord could not mean that this young man had *already begun the work*, which they affirm to be the meaning of ὁ ἐπιβαλὼν τὴν χεῖρα αὐτοῦ ἐπ' ἄροτρον, and then wished to leave it as unwilling to return. Neither of these ideas agree with the account of this well-disposed youth; for he had not yet put his hand to the plough. And he was evidently wishing to return to the Lord Jesus, that he might follow him altogether. To me it appears, that Christ used the image merely of a labourer, who with

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written λαλεῖν; but it is properly *seeing*, for the word βλέπωντας belongs not only to κωφοίς, but to κυλλούς and the other words in the sentence. Men may quote, Apoc. i. 12, ἐπέστρεψα βλέπειν τὴν φωνήν ἣ τις ἐλάλησε μετ' ἐμοῦ. But even here, βλέπειν is not *to hear*. It were needless to say: "He turned to hear the voice," for he had heard it; but he turned that he might ascertain from whence the voice came. Equally wide of the mark are the passages adduced from Greek writers. For in these the words ἑκτιδεῖν and ὁρᾶν, do not mean to hear; but to perceive mentally whether by seeing or hearing, as in Aeschylus. (Prom. vinct. v. 21.) ἴν' οὔτε φωνήν, οὔτε τοι μορφήν ὄψει (conf. Sophocl. Trach. v. 365.

That βλέπειν only denotes the act of seeing, without any thought of the object presented to the sight, will appear also from the fact that βλέμμα does not signify the thing seen, as δράμα, but the eye, or the aspect in which we see. And hence, finally, we arrive at the explanation of that formula, which occurs twice in the New Testament, βλέπειν ἀπό τινος. There it is said, that βλέπειν is to beware; but, at the outset, they rashly confound this formula with another, βλέπε μή, from which it widely differs. But, besides this, it is impossible to make out

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it submitted to sight, which is visible. And ὁρᾷ is never used absolutely, but as associated with the thought of that which is looked at. But as it becomes him who would avoid error or deception, diligently to circumspect and to observe all things, we may comprehend how these expressions, ὄρα, ὁρᾷτε, ὁρᾷτε μὴ signify, take care, see that, beware lest. And in this way we explain Heb. viii. 5, ἔκ τινος. Moses is warned to observe accurately the intended building, that it may be made according to the pattern. But when we say ὁρᾷτε, ὁρᾷτε μὴ, we require those who are about to do any thing, to examine in the first place cautiously, lest they do that which they ought not to do. And although in both forms, ὁρᾷτε μὴ and βλέπετε μὴ, the notion of being ware, exists; yet they differ. For as βλέπετε, without a negation, signifies only, use your eyes, that you may see correctly, as in 1 Cor. x. 18, Philip. iii. 2, so ὁρᾷτε has this force, that we command the eyes or the mind to turn to the object. It is said, therefore, correctly in Acts xxii. 26, ὄρα τί μέλλεις ποιεῖν. And βλέπετε could not have been used, for the centurion is admonished that he may look at what he is about to do, lest he command a Roman citizen to be scourged. On the contrary, in Mark iv. 24,

it is βλέπει τί ἀκούει, for which in Luke viii. 18, we have βλέπει πῶς ἀκούει, as in Ephes. v. 15, βλέπει πῶς ἀκριβῶς περιπατεῖ. For in all these passages the proper force of the word is referred to the mind, and therefore βλέπειν may be joined with ἀκούειν; but it could not have been, ὁρᾷ τί ἀκούει; for ὁρᾷν is always referred to the object seen, and no good writer would have used it otherwise. And as there is in the word ὁρᾷν this force, which we call objective, hence it arises that it is joined with those prepositions only, by which the thought is referred to the object seen. For in the compound word ἀφορᾷν there is a twofold force in the preposition; one, by which the force of the word is removed, so that it signifies, to look away, as in Cyrop. vii. 1. 36, παίουσιν ἀφορῶντας, for they smote the backs of the Egyptians; another which intimates that the thing itself is removed from the subject to which the word refers. So Herodot. viii. 37, ἀπώρειον τὸ ἱερόν. For it was to the Delphi, and not to the temple, that the barbarians had approached, as the sequel shows. Although, therefore, it is allowable to say βλέπειν ἀπὸ τινος, yet it would be absurd to say ὁρᾷν ἀπὸ τινος. And if any one says that, in the interpretation of the New Testament, such subtilties are unnecessary, I would have him

to consider why he would himself feel it improper to say, βλέπειν τὸν Θεόν, βλέπειν τὸν πατέρα, speaking of the Deity, or βλέπειν ἑαυτὸν, (βλέπειν εἰς αὐτόν is a different matter,) or why the Greeks speaking of the situation of a region, &c., always use βλέπιν and never ὁρᾶν.

We come next to consider ἰδεῖν, which so far differs from ὁρᾶν, that it must be referred rather to the mind of him who sees ; so that as ὁρᾶν regards the object, ἰδεῖν should be referred in thought to the subject. No accurate observer will deny that this is the force of the word. For what other reason is there why the word ἰδεῖν does not occur even among the most ancient writers in the present, whether it is used to denote seeing or knowing, except it be that there exists in it properly the notion of a thing past, from which that very thing arises, which is now thought to be, *i. e.* the having seen or known something ; and therefore now to know it and to have it ascertained ; whence it follows that οἶδα, ἰδοῦ, ἰδὼν, have the notion of time present. Nor do I fear the adduction of some passages in Homer, in which the present time is read. For in these the word either has a future sense, as *Iliad.* 9, v. 18, ἵνα εἴδῃσι πάντες, σ, v. 53, κλυτὶ -- ὄφρ' εὖ πᾶσαι εἴδῃσι ἀκούουσαι. *Odyss.* 1, v. 17, ὄφρα καὶ ὑμεῖς εἴδῃτε ; or a passive

sense, in which the idea is not that any one has seen a certain thing, but that this thing appeared to him, that it was seen, as *Iliad.* α, v. 228. τὸ δὲ τοι κῆρ εἶδεται εἶναι, β, v. 559. πάντα δὲ τ' εἶδεται ἄστροα. ν, v. 98. νῦν δὲ εἶδεται ἡμαρ. ζ, v. 472. οὐ μὲν μοι κακὸς εἶδεται. ω, v. 197. τί τοι φρεσὶν εἶδεται εἶναι. Hence also, *εἶδος* denotes not that which we see, τὸ ὄραμα; but the image of the thing, the species or form presented to the mind. In this sense it occurs in 1 Thess. v. 22, ἀπὸ παντὸς εἶδους πονηροῦ ἀπέχεσθε, which some render, “abstain from every kind of evil.” But Luther more correctly, *meidet allen bösen Schein.*^a For it might have been written according to the former rendering, ἀπὸ παντὸς εἶδους πονηρίας, (*Joseph. Antiq.* x. 3, 1. See *Wetstein* in loc.) but it should have been ἀπὸ παντὸς εἶδους τοῦ πονηροῦ. But *εἶδος πονηρόν* is a disreputable or wicked appearance or mode, as *εἶδος αἰσχρόν* in *Euripides* is an ungraceful form. On the other hand, in 2 Corinth. v. 7, the words διὰ πίστεως περιπατοῦμεν, οὐ διὰ εἶδους, Luther has very accurately given, as to the general sense: *wir leben im Glauben nicht im Schauen.* And interpreters say that in this place *εἶδος* is the same

^a The English version is, “from every appearance of evil,” which accords with *M. Titmann's* view. It does not mean evil presented to us, but evil appearance or semblance in us.—*T.*

as *ἔψις*. Yet it may be doubted whether *εἶδος* has not still its proper sense; not only because it is never used for *ἔψις*; but that the Apostle does not appear to have entertained this idea: we now believe these things only, but we do not see them, *i. e.* have not realized them. For he exhorts them to be cheerful, and to trust God, who gives the earnest of the Spirit, inasmuch as they know that now they are pilgrim exiles from God, and should therefore desire rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. Finally, *περιπατεῖν διὰ πίστεως* appears to differ from the expression *περιπατεῖν ἐν τινί*, which sometimes occurs. For I doubt not but that these words may be explained from usage among the Greeks, as Valkenar. has shown on Euripides, *Phoeniss.* (p. 177. to v. 482. compared with v. 1555,) so that *περιπατεῖν διὰ πίστεως* is shown to be equivalent to *πιστεύοντα περιπατεῖν*, *i. e.* to live by faith. So in Aeschylus. *Prometh.* v. 120, *τὸν πᾶσι θεῶν δι' ἀπεχθείας ἐλθόντα*, *i. e.* is hateful to the gods; and in Euripides, *Hippol.* v. 1164, *δι' ἐχθρᾶς μῶν τις ἦν ἀφιγμένος*, *i. e.* by my hostile mind, and in the *Orestes* v. 755, *διὰ φόβου γὰρ ἔρχομαι*. So also in the *Epist. to the Romans*, c. iv. v. 11, *τῶν πιστευόντων δι' ἀκροβυστίας*, and xiv. 20, *τῷ διὰ προσκόμματος ἐσθίουσι*. And in the same way we

may explain that difficult passage in 2 Pet. iii. 5, δι' ὧν ὁ τῶν κόσμος ὑδατι κατακλυσθεὶς ἀπώλειτο. See Markland on Lysias, p. 329. Reisk's edition. In fact εἶδος is the external form and species of things, as is generally admitted ; and therefore δι' εἶδους περιπατεῖν is so to live, that the εἶδος is as it were the companion of our life, to live intimately associated with the external form of things. But it becomes not the Christian to yearn after outward things, or to be ensnared by their glitter. It behoves him to seek higher things, and therefore θαρσύνουσι μᾶλλον ἐκδημῆσαι ἐκ τοῦ σώματος καὶ ἐνδημῆσαι πρὸς τὸν Κύριον. I conceive the meaning of the passage, therefore, to be: Our life is governed by our immortal hope, not by the vain hope of present things, we prefer, however, to leave the body, that we may go into the presence of God.

Between ὁρᾶν and ἰδεῖν there is a middle term, ὑπαισθάναι. For it is referred, at the same time, to the object presented to the eye, and to the subject which sees and perceives. And hence it will appear why the word is only used in the passive and middle voice, and why it is not found in the present tense. For, as it does not denote the action of seeing, but the state of him to whose eye or mind the object is presented, the active power would not properly

express this; and therefore, the word must be in the middle or passive voice; in the passive when any thing is said to be presented, or to appear to our mind; in the middle, when the thought is rather of some object presented to, or fixed in the eye or the mind, that we may perceive it. Whence also, it is put either in the past or the future, since the accurate notion of the word requires that that must be regarded as to have been done, or to be about to be done, by which we are to arrive at cognizance. For the specific power of this word is not that it denotes the action of seeing, but the state or affection of the mind to which the object is presented. It differs, therefore, from the words βλέπειν and ὁρᾶν, which denote the action of seeing, and from ἰδεῖν, which is referred only to the subject. Nor are passages wanting in which this specific force of the word is evident. It is rightly said in Matthew v. 8, ὁρῶνται τὸν Θεόν; for this does not mean that they shall actually see God, which could not be; but they shall truly comprehend and know him; as 1 John iii. 2, ὁφόμεθα αὐτὸν καθὼς ἐστὶ, and Heb. xii. 14, χωρὶς ἁγιασμοῦ οὐδεὶς ὁφείσκει τὸν κύριον. For I doubt whether, in these words, ὁρῶνται τὸν Θεόν, we have the notion of a more familiar and nearer intercourse with God, as the lexicons tell us.

I rather think they intimate the felicity of those who more accurately perceive and appreciate the wisdom, holiness, and love of God, which felicity can only be realized by the καθαροί τῇ καρδίᾳ. For truly is it said by Callimachus, (in Apoll. v. 7. 9,) ὁ θεὸς οὐκ ἔτι μακρὰν, yet οὐ παντὶ φαίνεται, ἀλλ' ὃ, τις ἐσθλός. And therefore, when (Eurip. Bacch. v. 501,) Pentheus inquires impiously, "Where is God?" he is answered deservedly, παρ' ἐμοί· σὺ δ' ἀσεβῆς αὐτὸς ὢν, οὐκ εἰσορᾷς; where εἰσορᾷν is the same as ὄπτεσθαι, *inne werden*. Acutely, therefore, Plutarch (de Ei) says, that Apollo was Πύθιον ταῖς ἀρχομένοις μανθάνειν καὶ διαπυνθάνεσθαι, Δῆλιον δὲ καὶ Φαναῖον, ὃς ἤδη τι δηλοῦται καὶ ὑποφαίνεται τῆς ἀληθείας. And Homer says, οὐ γάρ ποτε πάντεσσι θεοὶ φαίνονται ἐναργεῖς. (Odyss. π, v. 161.)

It must not be denied, however, that the words ὄπτεσθαι and ὁρᾶν are sometimes interchanged, so that ὄπτεσθαι appears to mean no more than ὁρᾶν. So in Xenophon, (Cyneg. v. 31.) βαδίζοντα δὲ οὐδεὶς ἐώρακεν οὐδ' ὤψεται; and in the New Testament it is often put for ὁρᾶν, as Matth. xxiv. 30; xxvi. 64; John i. 51, 52; xi. 40; Acts xx. 25. But it does not follow from this that it has the same force altogether as ὁραν, *liden, βλέπειν*; so that in any place in which it occurs, any one of these might be substituted.

Nor do I fear the remark, that *ῥησιδαι* is used, because the words *ῥᾶ* and *ῥᾶν* would change the time from the future. For we have yet to learn why the future of *ῥᾶν* is unused, as the same verb is without the aorist.*

* I rather think that we must look for the explanation of these irregularities and deficiencies in verbs of very early use, to their etymology rather than to the caprice of later nations, into which the word was introduced, in the neglect of certain tenses and inflections. The more simple explanation of these anomalies is, that the word has continued to be used in the later language, into which it has been derived, in the same tenses only in which it occurred in the primitive form, and has not undergone all the artificial grammatical inflections to which words of more recent formation were submitted. Such is probably the case in this instance. The Greek word *ῥᾶν* is one of the few remnants of the Hebrew word *רָאָה*, *to see*. The word being composed of one consonant, and two almost, if not altogether, vowel sounds, would be a bad subject for all the niceties of Greek inflection; and hence, as more convenient words would readily occur, the word *ῥᾶν*, except in the instances in which it would slide gradually into use in its primitive form, would be avoided. That the Hebrew word *רָאָה* has been thus brought into use in later languages is evident from other remnants of it. It is found in the English words *ray* and *array*, and the French, *rayon*. And it is the etymon of the Latin, *ratio*, and our English word, *reason*. Both in Chaldee and in Arabic, the word *רָאָה*, *رأى*, occurs in the sense of mental perception, understanding; and it is in this sense that it has been retained in the words *ratio* and *reason*. I have no doubt that an accurate examination of

There is yet something more in the word *παρασθαι*, because, as I have said, it should not be referred only to the object, but to the subject also. It may be sometimes written *οψει*; as *μεϊζονα τούτων ὁψει ὁψει τὴν δόξαν τοῦ Θεοῦ*, when nothing more is intended than that something is to be seen. But Matth. xxvii. 4, and Acts xviii. 15, *σὺ ὁψει* and *ὁψεσθαι αὐτοί* were written. For there is a difference between *σὺ ὄρα*, and *σὺ ὁψει*. For *σὺ ὄρα*, is, look accurately, consider, examine; but *σὺ ὁψει* is like the Latin, *tu videris* (from which formula, *tu vide*, differs.) It means, it is for *you* to examine, consider, regard. He who says *σὺ ὄρα* commands it to be done; he who says *σὺ ὁψει* only permits another to do it, and denies that he himself will do it. Wherefore *σὺ* or *αὐτοί* or some other pronoun is added, as putting away the duty from the speaker; for instance in Arrian diss. i. 17. *ὁφονται αἱ ἄλλοι, εἰ λυσιστελεῖ αὐτοῖς παρὰ φύσιν ἔχειν*. This appears distinctly in Acts xviii. 15, *εἰ ζήτημά ἐστι περὶ λόγου — ὁψεσθαι αὐτοί* for it is added *κριτῆς γὰρ ἐγὼ τούτων οὐ βούλομαι εἶναι*. In this sense *σὺ ὄρα* is never found.

We have yet to notice *θεᾶσθαι* and *θεωρεῖν*. Both differ so far from the words noticed above,

the defective Greek verbs, and their anomalous combinations, would fully bear out the remarks made above.—T.

that they denote the intention of mind with which a man regards or contemplates an object. They are frequently used, therefore, when the desire of seeing is to be expressed. So Matth. xi. 7, *τί ἐξῆλθετε θεάσασθαι, i. e. τί ἐξελθόντες εἰδῆτε ὅραν*. Matth. xxii. 11. And in John xiv. 17, *ὅτι οὐ θεωρεῖ αὐτό οὐδὲ γινώσκει αὐτό*, we must not render this simply, sees, knows, understands, (which is in the force of the word *γινώσκει*, for it is a very unsound remark made by some, that in this place *γινώσκειν* and *θεωρεῖν* may be used for one another.) It should be translated, he did not studiously and attentively consider, and therefore he did not understand. For in Matth. vi. 1, *πρὸς τὸ θεαθῆναι αὐτοῖς* (and Matth. xxiii. 5,) does not mean simply, to be seen, but to be seen with regard and admiration. There are passages undoubtedly in which *θεᾶσθαι* means only to see, as Matth. xvi. 11; Luke v. 27. But there are others in which the peculiar force is manifest, and in which it has always the adjunct notion of the desire and intention to consider and know the thing looked at. In Rom. xv. 24, *ἐλπίζω διαπορευόμενος θεάσασθαι ὑμᾶς*, Paul not only says that he would see them, but that he would look diligently into their affairs. So Lucian (*Nigrin.* 2. i. p. 40.) *βουλόμενος ἰατρὸν ὀφθαλμῶν θεάσασθαι τινα, i. e.*

convenire. In Xenoph. Cyrop. v. 5. 1, Διασάμενος τὸ στρατεύμα, and vii. 5. 7, τειδιάμεθα κύκλῳ τὴν πόλιν. ἰωράκαμεν κ. τ. πόλιν, would be, we looked at the city, which would not express the author's meaning. See also Hiero, 2. 5, διὰ γνώμης θεᾶσθαι κάλλιον ἢ διὰ τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν. Euripides Orestes, v. 909, θεᾶσθαι ὃ ᾧδε χρὴ τὸν δεσπότην ἰδόντα. What the older grammarians have said on the word θεωρεῖν is well known.^p But

^p The peculiarity of the word θεωρεῖν is very beautifully illustrated by a reference to the etymology. This is one of those instances in which the more extensively the inquiry is carried on, the more bright and certain is the result. Instead of wild and uncertain conjecture, we arrive at little short of demonstration and definite certainty. In the first place, there is evidently a close connection between the words *θεῖν*. *video cum stupore*, *θεάσμαι, specto, contemplor, θία spectatio, θία, cum admiratione specto*, (Ionice) *θεωρίαι, contemplor*, and the Latin *Tueo, Tueor*, to behold, to look stedfastly. Both in the Latin and Greek word, there is the idea of stedfast considerate observing, and contemplation. The probability then is, that these words had a common origin. On turning to the ancient oriental tongues, we find the word, 𐤒𐤕𐤕 used in Hebrew, Chaldee and Syriac, very extensively in the sense, to see; but generally in a still stronger sense, as intimating serious and intense contemplation. In all these three cognate dialects, it signifies the seeing into obscure, mysterious, and future things: *videns, propheta*, or seer, *attentio, consideratio, contemplatio, spectatio cum voluptate*.

In the first place, we find, on examination, some remains

eis rên aiônâ, "to look on or regard for ever;" and it could not have been *ôrrisôdas savarês eis rên aiônâ*, since *ôrrisôdas* is the act of a moment; and how then could the sentence have meant to experience for ever? But since *ôrrisô* is not merely the act of an instant, (for the things on which we *ôrrisô*, are considered as contemplated for a lengthened period), therefore, this word is very properly made use of in conjunction with *eis rên aiônâ*. For this clause could not properly be rendered "he shall never die." For they also die who walk in the way of heavenly truth; but then their death is not *eis rên aiônâ*. Here, however, we must for the present pause.

CHAPTER IX.

MANY affections and conditions of the mind are so nearly allied, that they appear to differ in a very slight degree; more especially as the mode in which they arise and show themselves is very similar. On this account, we find that many words by which the condition of mind is expressed are not only used indifferently by inaccurate writers and speakers, but even by lexicographers are rendered by the same Latin words, as if they had no difference; and, by these means, recent and raw scholars are misled to suppose that they are identical in meaning. But where terms are really synonymous, their force should be most minutely observed; for this is absolutely necessary to the right understanding of the writers of the New Testament. Although, at the same time, it must be admitted, that in the customary style of language which these men used, the difference between such words was not always observed, especially those which properly express the different grades of the same affection. For those whose affections are more easily moved would natu-

sires, *ὅταν βούλομαι*, if he pleases, *βούλομαι* *ἐπιστάμεναι* *παρ' αὐτοῦ*, I wish to know from him (*sich wissen bei von ihm zu hören*.) Xenophon *Cyrop.* i. 4, 10, ταῦτα λαβὼν διαδίδου ὅπως σὺ βούλῃ, καὶ τῶν ἄλλων ὅπῃσιν ἐθέλεις. And iv. 5. 12, (31.) σοὶ ὑπάρχου, οὐχ ὅπως ἀνὴρ ἐθέλωσι, ἀλλ' ὅπως ἀνὴρ σὺ βούλῃ, χρῆσθαι αὐτοῖς. And vii. 2. 4, (9.) ἀπὸρ, ὦ Κροῖσος, ἅρ' ἂν τι μοι ἐπιλήπαις συμβουλεύσῃ; Καὶ βουκοίμην γ' ὅτι, ἔφη, ἀγαθόν τι σοι ὠρεῖται. There is something bland and respectful and courteous in the reply of Croesus, but in the question of Cyrus nothing but this: what is your will? Whence it occurs often that he who replies to such an interrogation, that he wills; does not reply by *θέλει* but by *βούλομαι*. I will add two passages from Euripides, which will illustrate the difference I wish to point out. The first is in *Iphig. Aul.* v. 338, where Menelaus reproves the altered manner of Agamemnon, as widely differing from that which he dissembled, before he obtained the kingdom, *τῷ δοκῶν μὲν οὐχὶ χρεῖζων, τῷ δὲ βούλομαι θέλων*. The other is in the *Hippolytus* v. 1329, 1330, οὐδεὶς ἀπαντᾷ βούλεται προθυμίας τῇ τοῦ θέλοντος, ἀλλ' ἀφιστάμεσθ' αἰεί. Arrian. *Diss. Epict.* i. 12. 13, βούλομαι γράφειν τὸ Δέωνος ὄνομα ὡς θέλω. And so in *Matth.* i. 19, δίκαιος ὢν καὶ μὴ θέλων αὐτὴν παραδειγματίσαι, ἐβουλήθη λάτρεα ἀπολῦσαι αὐτήν. But in this use

of these words, I think I perceive other traces of the specific sense of each.⁴ First, it is well known that βούλεσθαι ἢ is frequently used in the sense of *malle*, to prefer, so that μάλλον should be understood. But as far as I know, θέλω is never so used. For the passages adduced in support of the notion appear to me insufficient. And first, we may notice in the New Testament, 1 Cor. xiv. 19, ἀλλ' ἐν ἐκκλησίᾳ θέλω πέντε λόγους διὰ τοῦ τοῦ μου λαλῆσαι, ἢ καὶ ἄλλους κατηχήσαι, ἢ μυρίους λόγους ἐν γλώσσῃ. But here, to my mind, the ἢ must be referred rather to πέντε than to θέλω. I would, in the church, rather use five intelligible words, than ten thousand which were unintelligible. Another passage is in Xenophon de Mag. Equ. 9. 5, οἷς καθήκει τὸ

⁴ The only trace of an oriental etymon of βουλομαι that I can find is, **לַעֲבֹד**, a word existing in Hebrew and its cognate dialects, and implying complete power and authority. It is used in the sense of, *dominus, maritus*; used of those who are understood to have the right to express a sovereign will. And all the derivatives of βουλομαι remaining in Latin and Gothic, and in modern languages, *volo, wilgan, vouloir, wollen*, to will, are expressions of a positive determination. This rather makes against the distinction which the author has endeavoured to establish. At the same time, the *vous loquendi* might have affixed a specific sense to the Greek derivative. And this is very probable, for in this limited sense we find in German the word *willig, unwillig*, implying propension. Anglice, willing, unwilling.—F.

ἰππικόν, θέλουσι τελεῖν ἀργύριον ὥς μὴ ἰππεύειν, in which they render θέλουσι by *maluit*, they prefer; μάλλον being understood. But it is not ἤ, but ὡς μή that follows, to make the sense: they would rather pay the fine than serve in the cavalry. And it may even be doubted in those passages in which μάλλον is inserted, *ibid.* 2. 8, and 9. fin. For in both it may be rendered, more freely, more readily, to fight or to counsel, as *Cyrop.* iv. 3. 1, μάλλον μάχωντ' ἢν, εἰ τὰ φίλιστα παρείη. comp. *Memorab.* iv. 4, 17. The reason of this use of the word must be sought in its specific signification. For since θέλειν means simply to wish, if ἤ is added or understood, it would then signify, to wish this or that, v. c. θέλεις μάχεσθαι ἢ φυγεῖν. And if μάλλον is added, it is not to be referred to θέλειν; but to the thing itself which is willed; as appears in the passages already referred to. On the two passages in *Homer* *Il.* 3, 319. *Od.* α, 234. see *Butmann*, l. c. p. 30. *Justin. Mart. Apol.* ii. θέλει γὰρ ὁ πατήρ ὁ οὐράνιος τὴν μετάνοιαν τοῦ ἁμαρτωλοῦ, ἢ τὴν κόλασιν αὐτοῦ, where *Sylburg* supplies μάλλον, and adduces θέλω τύχης σταλαγμὸν ἢ πίδακος φρενῶν. See *Eustath.* ad *Il.* p. 1363, 42. I add a passage from *Epigr. Agathiae* xxv. *Anal.* iii. 43, ἐπεὶ σέο μῦθον ἀκούειν ἠθέλον, ἢ κιθάρης καρούματα Δηλιάδος. But the Greek language was then

declining, of which this is an example, among many others.

A second proof of the specific signification of these words, is to be found in a different use of them, in passages where neither of them means properly, to will. There are many passages in which ἐθέλειν appears to have the same force with δύνασθαι or μέλλειν. Gregory of Corinth says, that this was Attic Greek. In this sense, however, the word was only applied to inanimate objects. For the observation of Buttmann (Addenda to Plato Charm. p. 60) is quite true, that θέλειν for μέλλειν or δύνασθαι, is only used respecting inanimate objects, and then only in a negative sense. For the passages adduced do not prove that later writers have used it. Certainly Reisk ought not to adduce that passage from the 37th epigram of Macedonius. Ἑπταρον ἄγχι τάφοιο καὶ ἤθελον αὐτὸς ἀκοῦσαι, Οἷά περ ὠϊσάμην, μοῖραν ἐμῆς ἀλόχου. For he did not hope that he should hear the death of his wife; but he thought, since he had sneezed, that he heard the presage of her death; (as we say, *er wollte das selbst gehört, gesehen haben.*) And therefore the word αὐτός is not to be pressed. Wherefore Schaefer, *apud Gregorium*, p. 135, has said, that we should read οὐ δύναται. Plato in Phaedr. p. 230. D. τὰ μὲν

οὐν χωρία καὶ τὰ δένδρα οὐδὲν μ' εἶλεν διδάσκειν. And Xenoph. Hist. Gr. v. 4. 61, τὰ πλοῦτα ἐκείνου οὐκέτι ἤθελε παραπλεῖν. Memor. iii. 12. extr. ὃ γὰρ εἶλεν αὐτόματα εἶναι. So also it is assumed that in the New Testament John vii. 1, and Matth. ii. 18, ὃ θέλει is put for οὐ δύνασθαι. But there is no need in either case to abandon the proper meaning of the word. In the former case he would not (*noluit*) stay in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill him; in the latter, Rachel would not be comforted. (German, *sie wollte sich nicht trösten lassen*,) as in Gen. xxxvii. 35, οὐκ ἤθελε παρακαλεῖσθαι, λέγων. In the Hebrew, it is **סָנַחְתִּי מִנֶּחֱם**, i. e. she refused consolation.* Without the negative, however,

* It is somewhat strange that Titmann did not refer to Jeremiah xxxi. 15, as the original of the quotation in Matthew, and which completely bears out his idea. The words are **סָנַחְתִּי מִנֶּחֱם**, refusing to be comforted. The word invariably occurs in the Hebrew Scriptures, in the sense of, determined refusal. And so in this case, it was not only that Rachel could not be comforted, because her children were not; but she refused all consolation, of whatever kind, from the bitter sense which she had of their loss. The full force of the word may be seen in Exod. ix. 2, **סָנַחְתִּי מִנֶּחֱם**, if thou refuse to let them go. And seeing that the meaning of **נֶחֱם** is so unequivocal, it is not at all probable that the LXX used *εἰς ἡθελε* in the unusual sense of *εὐ δύναται*. The etymology of **נֶחֱם** is probably the

θέλειν is rather to be wont, to suit, to become. Herodot. vii. 50. 1. 2, μεγάλα πρήγματα μεγάλοις ἐβίλει κινδύνοισι κατατρέσθαι, (as we say: *wollen unternommen sein*); Callim. H. in Del. v. 4, ἄλλος δ' ἐβίλει τὰ πρῶτα φέρεσθαι Ἐκ μουσέων. conf. Aristoph. Av. v. 532, et Raphael. ad Actor. ii. 12. And it is observed by some critics, as Valckenar, in the 2d vol. of his Opuscula, p. 307, on Mark vi. 5, that οὐκ ἠδύνατο is put for οὐκ ἔβηλε, or οὐκ ἐβούλετο. And Henry Stephen had already remarked, App. de Dial. Att. p. 50, that the Attics sometimes put δύνασθαι for βούλεσθαι. But although there may be passages in which a man might say οὐ δύνασθαι, because he had good reason to refuse, as in our language we say, we cannot, because we will not, I suspect none will be found in which οὐ δύνασθαι has the same force with οὐ θέλειν. Certainly, in the passage quoted from Mark, there is no reason to abandon the usual meaning of the word. The words are, καὶ οὐκ ἠδύνατο ἐπεὶ οὐδεμίαν δύναμιν ποιῆσαι. Evidently, as it is natural to admit that our Lord could have wrought miracles in

word for negation, ἮΝ, and the formative Ν; and hence the whole force of the word is a substantive of direct negation, submitted to the inflections of a verb, and carrying a strength of expression which no translation can give without circumlocution.—T.

that place, if he would, it is said, οὐκ ἠδύνατο, instead of οὐκ ἤθελε. For of that which cannot honestly and rightly be done, we may say with propriety, that a good man is unable to do it, although he could, if he would. And therefore, our Lord, although he was never without the power of working miracles, may be said properly to have been unable to do so among this people. For he never used the power of working miracles rashly, either in the presence of the wicked, or for the sole object of exciting a profitless surprise or admiration. He could not therefore work miracles there. He could not do so in accordance with his own wise moderation; for, "because of their unbelief," this display of power would have been utterly useless. He would not, therefore, because he *could not with propriety*. The same explanation may be given of a passage in the Anab. vii. 2. 18, οὐκ ἠδυνάμην ζῆν εἰς ἀλλοτρίαν τράπεζαν ἀποβλέπων, he could not, for he was ashamed. Sometimes, however, another passage is brought forward: Book ii. 2. 6, ἦν δὲ αὕτη ἡ στρατηγία οὐδὲν ἄλλο δυναμένη, ἢ ἀποδρεῖναι ἢ ἀποφυγεῖν; in which they say that δυναμένη is put for θέλουσα, i. e. it saw nothing else to be done. But there is no need to shrink from the usual meaning of the word. Certainly what the στρατηγία looked for

was already stated, that they might escape secretly and fly. Now, it is related that things took a turn for the better. He said therefore, the στρατηγία could do nothing else; but fortune κάλλιον ἐστρατήγησε. Finally, in Cyrop. vi. 4. 11, they adduce οὐ πρόσθιν ἐδύναντο θεάσασθαι αὐτόν, because all were taken with the beauty of Panthea. This distracted their attention, and prevented them from looking at her husband, i. e. they could not.

But, to return; οὐ θέλειν is sometimes the same in force with οὐ δύνασθαι; but βούλεσθαι is never used for δύνασθαι; and undoubtedly βούλεσθαι and δύνασθαι are often opposed to each other. Plat. Hipp. mai. p. 1259. A, οὐχ οἷα βούλεται τις, ἀλλ' οἷα δύναται. Lucian. ii. Abd. 179, οὐ βούλομαι δυνάμενος, and μὴ βούλεσθαι, μὴ δύνασθαι, ibid. p. 182. Aristot. Polit. v. 5. 9, ὥστε καὶ βούλονται μᾶλλον καὶ δύνανται νεωτερίζειν, ibid. c. 8. Vid. Valckenar. ad Phalar. ep. xcvi. p. 272. In the New Testament, it is improperly rendered *posse*, *valere*, as Acts xvii. 15, κριτὴς γὰρ ἐγὼ τούτων οὐ βούλομαι εἶναι; as Plat. Phileb. p. 38. C, βούλεσθαι κρίνειν. It is rather *nolo*, I refuse, in the sense in which we say, *Ich mag nicht*, I may not. Such questions are not my duty. If it were a question of any crime (v. 14), then κατὰ λόγον ἂν ἤνεσχόμην ὑμῶν, I would hear you.

In the word βούλεσθαι there is rather the notion of the mind desiring, choosing, propensed to, a particular object. Often, indeed, we desire and choose that which cannot be; but to *will* impossibilities (τὰ ἀδύνατα) is the part of fools. Often, therefore, βούλεσθαι is only to choose, as ἄνθρωπος, ὃ βούλεται, τοῦτο καὶ οἶται. Charit. iii. 9; vi. 6; Platon. Ion. p. 532. D. βουλοίμην ἂν σε ἀληθῆ λέγειν. et in Euthyd. p. 278. E, βουλόμενοι εὖ πράττειν. And it is never therefore used of brutes, as Ammonius has already observed. For since brutes destitute of reason cannot deliberate whether an object is to be sought or avoided, in which is the force of βούλεσθαι, (whence βουλή), but are led by the blind impulse of instinct or habit, they cannot be said βούλεσθαι. Yet both θέλειν and βούλεσθαι are applied to inanimate things, especially in the way of interrogation, τί θέλει, τί βούλεται τοῦτο. The former occurs in the New Testament, Acts ii. 12, τί ἂν θέλοι τοῦτο εἶναι. Valckenar on Herod. iv. 131, says, that τί τοῦτο βούλεται is more used, and βούλεται λέγειν or εἶναι. But the mode in which they are used seems to differ. Certainly, when it is said, τί θέλει τοῦτο εἶναι or λέγειν, the inquiry is made, what should or can this thing be or say; as in that passage of Herodotus and others, which Valckenar ap-

proves, (*was soll das seyn s. werden*), almost similar to τί μίλλει τοῦτο εἶναι. So, in Euripid. Hippol. v. 865, ἴδω τί λέξαι δέλτος ἥδε μοι. Θέλει. But τί βούλεται τοῦτο, although it may be rendered in that way, what does this will? yet it seems to be in that particular sense, that it inquires especially into the end or counsel of the thing, which is said βούλεσθαι. If, therefore, it is said, τί βούλεται τοῦτο εἶναι, the sense would be, to what does this tend? *was soll das vorstellen s. bedeuten*. For often βούλεσθαι εἶναι is said of those who wish to appear what really they are not, as in Lucian, ii. Alex. p. 214, concerning the woman, ἐράσμιον ἔτι εἶναι βουλομένην; he could not have written ἐθέλουσαν; and hence it will appear why it is written τί σοι βούλεται τοῦτο, and never, if I remember accurately, τί σοι θέλει τοῦτο. For there is in this interrogation a question as to the end and utility of the thing, as in Lucian, iii. p. 427, τί βούλονται αὐτῷ τηλικαῦται κύλικες, τῶν κεραμέων ἴσα δυναμένων. and i. Dial. Mort. p. 446, οὐχ ὀρῶ, τί σοι βούλεται τὸ ἐρώτημα, i. e. for what reason you ask this? To what does the question tend? Compare also Hermot, p. 754.

I have said that βούλεσθαι denotes propension and inclination of the will. This is confirmed by a passage from James, c. i. 18, βουληθεὶς ἀπεκύησεν ἡμᾶς λόγῳ ἀληθείας. A parallel passage

occurs in Plato, Legg. iv. p. 712, *ὅσον δὴ τι λέγειν βουλευθεὶς φράζῃ ἐτι σαφέστερον*. One writer, however, most strangely supposes that *βουλευθεὶς* is put elliptically for *βουλευθεὶς ἐν ἡμῇ*. But Wahl. properly compares it with *εὐδοκῆσαι*, he hath begotten us, according to his good pleasure. Hence also *βούλεσθαι τὰ τινος* means to favour the interests of any one. Thucyd. vi. 50. Certainly that person appears to have been deceived by some passages of the Septuagint, where *θῆλειν ἐν τινι* is given as the rendering of the Hebrew *יִשְׁתָּה*. But *βούλεσθαι ἐν τινι* never occurs; and it would be absurd. For, in the only passage, 1 Sam. xviii. 25, *לֹא יִשְׁתָּה בַּמֶּלֶךְ*, in which the Septuagint has thus rendered the words, *οὐ βούλεται ὁ βασιλεὺς ἐν δόματι*, it is a weak version; for, in fact, desire, and not good will, is expressed.*

* Taylor, in his Hebrew Concordance, gives, as the meaning of the word *יִשְׁתָּה*, desire, pleasure, delight; and the simple rendering of this passage, according to the Hebrew idiom, is, "There is not delight to the king in dowry." And the force of this expression may be softened to meet the style of later languages, as it is in our version, "The king desireth not dowry," and which has so far followed the Septuagint. But that version has very needlessly retained the Hebraism *בַּמֶּלֶךְ* by rendering it *ἐν δόματι*; and has thus made the whole sentence weak and ineffective. It were better either to retain the simpler and more forcible style of

And we must not refer to this formula the words of Paul in Coloss. ii. 18, *μηδείς ὑμᾶς καταβραβεύτω δέλων ἐν ταπεινοφροσύνῃ καὶ θρησκείᾳ τῶν ἀγγέλων*. Many interpreters connect δέλων with the preposition ἐν, and render it, affecting humility, and taking pleasure in it. But, in the first place, such a barbarous formula is unknown to the New Testament. In the next place, there is no need to increase the number of solecisms, while another and more probable interpretation is fairly open to us; and finally, as it had been stated in v. 16, *μη οὖν τις ὑμᾶς κρινέτω ἐν βρώσει*, it was in accordance with this to say, *μηδείς ὑμᾶς καταβραβεύτω ἐν ταπεινοφροσύνῃ*. Let no man, he says, judge you in external things, or deceive you by that *ταπεινοφροσύνῃ* and *θρησκείᾳ*. And δέλων therefore is, in my opinion, intentionally, wittingly, (*consulto*,) as in

the original, or to transmute it altogether into the more modern mode of expression. Nothing, therefore, can here be made of the force of *βούλειθαι* *is*, for it is only a servile rendering of the Hebrew preposition **ל**. The sentence is “done into Greek,” rather than translated. It may be remarked also, that in almost every instance in which the LXX has rendered **ל** by *βούλειθαι*, the true force of the word goes beyond the Greek expression; and implies not only propension of the will, but delectation, and emotion of the affections. See Deut. xxv. 7; Ruth iii. 16; 1 Kings xxi. 6.—T.

Herodot. ix. c. 14, *πυθόμενος δὲ ταῦτα ἐβουλεύετο θέλων, εἴκως τούτους πρῶτον ἔλοι.* For in the word *θέλειν* there is the notion of the will itself, and that, separately from the notion of consideration and consequent propension. He who does any thing *θέλων* does it at once spontaneously. He who does it *βουλόμενος*, determines to apply his mind to it, *θέλων ποιῶ.* I do it spontaneously, freely : *πάσχω*, I deserve it; as 2 Peter iii. 5, *λανθάνει αὐτοὺς τοῦτο θέλοντας.* But there is a difference from these forms of speech, when *θέλω* is put with an infinitive of another verb, as *θέλω ποιεῖν.* It is often rendered as if it were *φιλεῖν*, to be wont, John viii. 44. In all words therefore compounded with *θέλειν* there is the notion of spontaneity, but in those compounded with *βούλομαι*, that of option and propension. So in Plato de Legibus, Lib. v. *τὸ βουλευτὸν τε καὶ ἐκούσιον* and *τὸ ἀβουλευτὸν τε καὶ ἀκούσιον* are put in opposition. The formula *κἄν θέλῃς, κἄν μὴ θέλῃς* is well known. But *κἄν μὴ βούλῃ* is never said. It is, therefore, doubtful whether in the New Testament *θέλειν* ever means to desire, to choose, to be occupied or delighted with any thing, not even in Heb. x. 5, *Θυσίαν καὶ προσφοράν οὐκ ᾔθέλησας*, where the Hebrew would appear to warrant the notion of delight and oblecta-

tion.[†] Certainly Marcus Antoninus has used the word according to the Hebrew sense, x. 8, οὐ κολακεύεσθαι οἱ θεοὶ θέλουσιν, ἀλλ' ἐξομοιοῦσθαι αὐτοῖς τὰ λογικὰ πάντα.

θυμός· ὀργή.

It has been observed, both by Eustathius and others, that these two words are synonyms. And in fact, that they are not used indifferently in the New Testament, may be shown by those passages in which they occur together, Eph. iv. 31; Coloss. iii. 8; Rom. ii. 8; Apocal. xix. 15. We read also in Apoc. xvi. 19,

[†] The Apostle has, according to his usual practice, quoted from the Septuagint, as the established Greek version of the Scriptures; in which certainly ἡθίλησας does not give the whole force of צִפְּתָה; but then it is somewhat remarkable, that the true meaning is given in the word εὐδόκησας, in verse 6, and is repeated again in v. 8, as if the Apostle, seeing the comparative weakness of the LXX version, gave, from his own knowledge of the Hebrew, the proper idea of delectation and pleasure, to complete the sense; for εὐδόκησας is not the true meaning of the parallel word צִפְּתָה. Scholars must be aware that there is a still more remarkable discrepancy here between the quotation in the New Testament and the Hebrew, on which it would be out of place to enter here; but certainly to those who hold, with the translator, the view of the verbal inspiration of sacred Scripture, there is no point requiring more full and patient investigation than the quotations in the New Testament from the Septuagint, or some other Greek version of the Old Testament, and their discrepancy from the present Hebrew text.—T.

θυμὸς τῆς ὀργῆς which is generally considered to be an expression for extreme wrath. But young students should be on their guard against such observations, lest when two nouns are found together of which one is in the genitive case, and as it were dependent on the other, they conclude over hastily, either that this is a mere periphrasis, or an increment of the force of the word in the genitive. For although a substantive, followed by the genitive case, is often, both in Greek and other languages, put instead of an adjective, yet the true force of such an expression must be ascertained by the relation of the words themselves; for, frequently, this mode is adopted more for the full description and amplification of the subject, than for the increased intensity of the thought. Fischer has collected many examples, though some are foreign to the purpose, in Welleri Gram. Tom. iii. p. 269. It cannot, however, be shown, that if two synonyms are placed together, as *θυμὸς τῆς ὀργῆς*, that it is meant to express the superlative degree of the one in the genitive case. For the case is very different, when two nouns of different meaning are joined, in order to increase the force of the one, as *ζῆλος πυρός* Heb. x. 27. In this place, therefore, *θυμὸς τῆς ὀργῆς* means

only the boiling of rage, as we say, *Hitze des Zornes*.

But, to return to the difference of these two words. It is commonly asserted from too great confidence in some grammarians, that *ὀργή* and *θυμός* so far differ, that *θυμός* is exacerbation of mind, anger kindling into existence; *ὀργή* is wrath daily enduring and inveterate. We are warned that this difference is not always the case. And rightly enough, for in fact it is false. For *θυμός* and *ὀργή* differ not as to the duration, but as to the nature of the feeling. For as *θυμός* strictly means the soul, from the spirit which we breathe out; it is subsequently used to express a more intense passion of the mind as a more forcible exhalation. And therefore *θυμός* is thus described as ἀπὸ τῆς θύσεως καὶ ζήσεως τῆς ψυχῆς. 'Ὁργή, however, denotes anger, together with the desire of revenge.* Zeno says on Diogen. Laert. vii. 113,

* The word *ὀργή* is from *רגל*, which in Hebrew, Chaldee, Syriac and Arabic, means to kill, and all the tumults of passion which terminate in killing. There are traces of it in modern languages, in the German word *krieg*, war, contention; in the French word *orgueil*, which is properly, *fierté*, and the English word, rage. The idea therefore of sanguinary revenge, attaches etymologically to *ὀργή*. The Hebrew word *רגל*, is expressive of a less violent feeling, and it has been transmitted to us in the same qualified sense,

ὀργή ἐστὶν ἐπιθυμία τιμωρίας τοῦ δοκοῦντος ἡδικηέναι ὡς προσεχόντως. For although θυμός often issues in anger or rage, i. e. in the actual desire of punishing the injurer, yet in the word considered separately, there is not the notion of anger or passion, any more than in ὀργή there is the idea of diurnity. See Nemes. de Nat. Hum. c. 21. Xenophon says correctly (περὶ ἱππ. 9. 2,) ἔστι θυμός ἱππῳ ὅπερ ὀργή ἀνδρώπῳ. conf. §. 7. et de Venat. 10. 14. And hence we may understand why ὀργή is often put in the New Testament for vengeance and punishment, but θυμός never. Yet in 2 Cor. xii. 20, θυμός is said to mean anger. It stands in connection with other terms ἔρεις, ζῆλοι, θυμοί, ἐριθείαι, καταλαλαί. But even here θυμοί is rather the enmities of a morose and passionate man, (*Feindschaften, Erbitterungen.*) Plutarchus de Coriolano (init. p. 59. ed. Tubing. vol. ii.) θυμοῖς δ' αὖ πάλιν χρώμενον ἀκράτοις καὶ φιλονεικίαις ἀτέρπτοις, οὐ ῥάδιον οὐδ' εὐάρμοστον ἀνθρώποις συνεῖναι παρεῖχεν. And Aristotle in Problem. Sect. xxx. on the melancholic says, ἐρωτικοὶ καὶ εὐκίνητοι πρὸς ἴρα, ire, irritate; and ἀρο, arsit, to burn. Θυμός, is probably from Πῶι cogitatio, cogitavit, se ferocius gessit. It is animus, mind, the working and fermenting of mind, and putting it forth in external demonstration of strong feeling or passion. This etymology justifies the remarks made by the author upon the usage of the two words.—T.

τοὺς θυμούς· καὶ τὰς ἐπιθυμίας, where evidently the idea of wrath is not at all intended. Other synonymous terms noticed by grammarians, do not occur in the New Testament.

ἐπιθυμέω ὀρέγομαι, (ἐπιθυμία. ὄρεξις.)

Both these words mean desire. But ἐπιθυμέω denotes rather the affection of mind, and ἐπιθυμία the inward passion and concupiscence; ὀρέγομαι the appetite and tendency towards the external object. In ἐπιθυμία only the mental desire is thought of (*die Begierde selbst*); but ὄρεξις has conjoined with it the notion of the thing desired, (*Verlangen nach etwas.*) So that ἐπιθυμεῖν may be used absolutely as Rom. vii. 7; xiii. 9, but ὀρέγεσθαι never. And although ὄρεξις is sometimes used for appetites, without the notion appended of the objects desired, as Herodian, vi. 1. 12, τὰς ὄρεξεις ἀκμαζούσας εἰς αἰσχρὰς ἐπιθυμίας, (comp. i. 6. 6.); yet ὀρέγεσθαι is never, to my knowledge, used absolutely and independently. For the same reason ἐπιθυμεῖν τινός is to be moved with the desire or passion for any thing. The word in the genitive, placed in regimen with the noun ἐπιθυμία, denoting the seat or fountain of the ἐπιθυμία; as in the New Testament frequently ἐπιθυμία σαρκός; and especially in that difficult text John viii. 44. But ὄρεξις τινός denotes the object desired. So ὄρεξις σαρκός would be the

desire to eat flesh, (*Verlangen nach Fleisch.*) For that one passage in the Book of Wisdom, **xxiii. 6**, *κωλίας ὀρεξίς καὶ συνουσιασμός μὴ καταλαβήτωσαν μᾶ*, cannot be adduced, not only because the sayings of this writer are altogether without authority; but also that *ὀρεξίς κωλίας* may very properly be referred to the desire of filling the belly. It is well known that words in the genitive, connected with another noun, frequently denote the object, not the subject. Modern grammarians have accumulated examples, and Hermann (on Viger, p. 877,) has shown the reason of this. But *κωλία* may, in this passage, be used in the same sense in which it occurs in other passages of the LXX. as Job **iii. 11**, **xxxi. 15**, Genes. **xxv. 23**, with which *συνουσιασμός* agrees.

We must observe, in passing, that *ἐπιθυμία* and *ἐπιθυμία*, are not always put for licentious passion, but for a virtuous and tender desire of the soul; the wish for a real good, as Luke **xxii. 15**, Phil. **i. 23**, 1 Tim. **iii. 1**. Finally, *ἐπιθυμεῖν κατὰ τινος*, is not to be contrary to any thing, but, by passion, to be led contrary to any thing; as Gal. **v. 17**, *ἡ σὰρξ ἐπιθυμεῖ κατὰ τοῦ πνεύματος, τὸ δὲ πνεῦμα κατὰ τῆς σαρκός*, i. e. the tendency of the flesh is against the spirit, and of the spirit is against the flesh; and *ταῦτα ἀντίκειται ἀλλήλων*, these are opposed to each other (scil. *σὰρξ καὶ*

πνεῦμα,) so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

ἐκπλήσσεισθαι. ἐκθαμβεῖσθαι. ἐξίστασθαι.

These words are similar; for they all denote the affection of mind which arises out of the presentation of a new, unexpected, and great object to the eye or the mind. They differ, however, not only in degree, but in the nature of the affection. *ἐκπλήσσεισθαι* has the most extensive meaning. It is used of all things by which the mind is powerfully affected, not only with fear, sorrow, anger; but also of those more pleasing objects, the aspect of which stimulates us in a pleasing manner to love, reverence, or delight.* Frequently, therefore, the cause by which any one *ἐκπλήττεται* is added. So Xenoph. Sympos, 4. 23, ὑπὸ τοῦ ἔρωτος ἐκπλαγέντα. Euripid. Hel. v. 1413. ἀνδρὸς χάρισιν ἐκπεπληγμένην. Rhes. v. 291. δάμβει ἐκπλαγέντες. Med. v. 8. ἔρωτι θυμὸν ἐκπλαγεῖσα. In the New Testament it is applied to auditors, ἐξεπλάγησα, ἐπὶ τῇ διδασχῇ αὐτοῦ; and to the parents of Jesus, Luke ii. 48, ἰδόντες αὐτὸν ἐξεπλάγησαν, i. e. with joy and admiration, when they found him in the midst of the doctors. But *ἐκθαμβεῖσθαι*, which occurs three

* Query, **Ν**ῆψ *admirabile esse vel fieri, πλῆσσω, placeo, please.—T.*

times in Mark, is applied to those who, by the sight or consideration of some great or fearful thing, are horrified; not only because the object itself gives rise to fear, but also because the mind is scarcely able to conceive of its magnitude.⁷ So in Mark ix. 15, εὐδίσως ὁ ὄχλος ἰδὼν αὐτὸν ἐξεθαμβήθη, i. e. were astonished as any one is wont to be, when the object then spoken of is presented suddenly. In Mark xvi. 5, 6, it denotes wonder, coupled with fear. Finally, xiv. 33, it is said of our Lord ἤρξατο ἐκθαμβεῖσθαι καὶ ἀδημονεῖν (Matth. xxvi. 37, λυπεῖσθαι καὶ ἀδύμν.) Luther has rendered this *zu zittern und zu sagen*, in a way more adapted to customary speech than to the true force of the word; and not in accordance with our Lord's character, whose habit it was to regard his death as instant, and to foretel it. But when the hour of death arrived, it could not be but that his mind must be intensely affected by the immediate contemplation of a form of death, not only cruel, but of the severest suffering: not, as some older theologians have said, that he shrunk with fear from that death or those sufferings. For although it must be conceded to human nature, in its most resolute form, that the spirit, in such

⁷ From מִבְּרָא, *miratus est, obstupuit.*—T.

a crisis, would be considerably affected; yet he who was conscious that he was in the path of duty, and who was endued with the very wisdom of Deity, and who knew himself to be commissioned by his Father expressly that he might die for the salvation of the human race, would regard all perturbation or dread as altogether foreign to him and unworthy. They therefore write either in folly or in malice who choose to aver from such passages as this, that our Lord only understood, at a later period of his course, the necessity of his death, when he saw that either death must be submitted or the cause of truth betrayed; for that otherwise, he would not have been in such uneasiness if he had not hoped originally that the course of events would have been more prosperous. But of this I have spoken elsewhere.

Finally, ἐξίστασθαι is said of those who, by any event, are so far disturbed that they are not quite in their senses, and know not what they think or say. In this sense it is often used in the New Testament. It occurs also in Mark iii. 21, ἔλεγον γὰρ ὅτι ἐξέστη; where it does not mean that they said Jesus was out of his mind; but they thought (this is often the force of ἔλεγον) that he was so pressed by the crowd as to lose his self-possession (*ausser sich seyn.*)

For this was not the opinion of enemies, but of friends, τῶν παρ' αὐτοῦ. This is evident from the connection ἀκούσαντες αἱ παρ' αὐτοῦ—ἤθελον—ἴλθον γάρ. For in the midst of the gathering crowd of Galileans, he held a great disputation with the lawyers who had followed him from Jerusalem, v. 22—30. His friends, therefore, feared on his account, lest any harm should happen to him, and therefore they went out to bring him in (κρατῆσαι), and rescue him from the multitude. The word is used peculiarly in 2 Cor. v. 13, εἴτε γάρ ἐξίστημεν, θεῷ· εἴτε σωφρονοῦμεν, ὑμῖν. For there, since a man cannot think who has lost his self-possession, it is often said that ἐξίστασθαι is, in this place, to be excessive, to boast exceedingly. And this, because it is opposed to σωφρονεῖν. But it can scarcely be so understood, for what would be the meaning there of ἐξίστασθαι τῷ θεῷ? For how could it be said that he did this to God, or for God's sake? Neither is it necessary to seek for an idea contrary to τῷ σωφρονεῖν. 1 Cor. xiii. 8. xv. 11, 2. Thes. ii. 15. I suspect, therefore, that ἐξίστασθαι, in this passage, means to yield to another, as to way, place, honour, to prefer another to one's self, in which it is not unfrequent in Greek writers, See ὁδῶν ἐξίστασθαι. Xenoph. Sympos. iv. 31. And evidently so in Lucian, Sat. 7.

ii. p. 390, καὶ ἐξίστην τῷ Δεῖ. The sense, therefore, will be, "If I yield willingly, (ἐν καρδίᾳ.) I do it for God's sake;" for since all things are of God, I arrogate nothing to myself; if I behave with modesty ἐν προσώπῳ it is for your sakes, to whom especially I would be useful. See note on Herodian, vol. viii. 8, 13.

φροντίζειν μεριμνᾶν.

These words are generally supposed to differ. They are both rendered, to care, to be solicitous; except that in some passages of the New Testament it is said that μεριμνᾶν means to be too solicitous, to be over anxiously careful. For although both words carry the meaning of to care, yet they differ. For φροντίζειν means only to care, to aim, to meditate, to give diligence, that a thing may be done or be present. So it occurs once in the New Testament, Titus iii. 8. ἵνα φροντίζῃς καλῶν ἔργων πρῶτα, to be careful. But μεριμνᾶν is so to care, as to be truly solicitous that the thing should not be wanting.* Wherefore our Lord

* φροντίζειν is from φρονίμῳ φρον; and the proper idea therefore is thought, consideration, the occupation of the mind with a subject of interest. μεριμνᾶν is derived from מרמר *amarum esse, amaritudine affecti*; which, in all the cognate dialects of the Hebrew, is used not only in the sense of bitter, physically as a taste, but as bitterness of spirit, and fretful care and solicitude.—T.

rightly warns his disciples, Matth. x. 19, *μη μεριμνήσεται πῶς ἢ τί λαλήσετε δοθήσεται γὰρ ὑμῖν-τί λαλήσετε*. And also in Matth vi. 25, *μη μεριμνᾶτε τῇ ψυχῇ ὑμῶν*, i. e. be not solicitous, as if the things necessary to your life were about to fail you. And in verse 34, *μη οὖν μεριμνήσετε εἰς τὴν αὔριον*, be not solicitous about the morrow, so that although you know not what its events shall be, ye should so indulge mistrust as to increase by it the cares of to-day; *ἡ γὰρ αὔριον μεριμνήσει τὰ ἑαυτῆς*, for on the morrow it shall be seen that no needful blessing shall be wanting. It is not a care, even an earnest and solicitous care, for future things, which is reprehended; but that diffidence which originates in empty and baseless pride, and which agitates the mind and torments it during the whole course of life with fretful anxiety about earthly things. This is meant by the *μέριμναι τοῦ αἰῶνος*, which *συμπνίγουσι τὸν λόγον*. And therefore our Lord says (v. 32.) *πάντα ταῦτα τὰ ἔθνη ἐπιζητεῖ*, i. e. as the most important and exclusively desirable; but as for you, *ζητεῖτε πρῶτον τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ*.

In Themistius, Orat. 26, we find placed together, *φροντίσας καὶ μεριμνήσας, καὶ πολλὰς νύκτας ἀυπνοὺς καταμελετήσας*. See Wettstein on Matth. x. 19. *φροντίζειν*, we render, *für etwas sorgen*, but *μεριμνᾶν*, *sich etwas kümmern*. It is properly

therefore in this passage written, μή μεριμνήσετε
 For this is the habit of the unbelieving mind,
 τῶν ἀπίστων καὶ μεμψιμοίρων. The affections of
 mind, however, which these words express are
 so nearly allied, that often one word appears
 to be permuted for the other. See Moeris,
de Vocibus Atticis, v. μεριμνῶν, and the examples
 therein adduced.



CHAPTER X.

IN the former chapter we spoke of a particular class of synonyms. Some examples of this kind remain to be noticed. And of these I will now speak briefly.

σκληρός. αὐστηρός.

To many persons these two words appear to have little or no difference. They render either of them, by the terms, austere, hard, severe, harsh, inhuman. And so far certainly they agree, that neither character, so properly designated, has a regard to that which is equitable, but so uses his right, that he remits nothing, from a feeling of lenity or mercy. Yet they differ, (as in German our words *streng* and *hart*.) For he is αὐστηρός, who although he is not altogether alien from the tenderness of humanity, yet represses it within him, because, under the force of reasons of justice, he thinks that nothing of his right, and of that which is due to him, should be conceded. But he is σκληρός, who asserts his right because the principle of humanity is wanting. The αὐστηρός would remit and indulge, but thinks that he

ought not; the σκληρός has no wish to do so. A father who is αὔστηρός cannot be condemned, but a father who is σκληρός is a bad man.

In Matth. xxv. 24, the same master is called σκληρός, whom the same servant, in Luke xix. 21, is made to call αὔστηρός. And hence it is concluded that the two words have the same meaning. We should take care, however, in treating parallel passages of this kind, if we find the same thing expressed in different words, not to conclude too hastily that the words do not differ in sense. This is a frequent error of lexicographers. For when two authors narrate the same fact in such a way, that they make use of different words, by which the general bearing of the narration is not affected, I ask on what ground are we entitled to affirm, that the two different words carry precisely the same meaning? So far we must admit, they are said, and may be said, of the same thing; but that they mean the same thing precisely is not yet proved. Neither, in the estimation of such men as the one mentioned in the parable, is there any great difference between a severe or strict master and a harsh and merciless one. He who is σκληρός is deservedly blamed, as in Aristotle's Ethics, iv. 8, ἀγριοὶ καὶ σκληροί; but the αὔστηρός cannot

be blamed. Plutarch. Quaest. Gr. cap. 40, καλὸς δὲ ὢν καὶ δίκαιος, οὐχ ἥττον ἢν σώφρων καὶ αὐστηρός.

πραῦς ἥπιος χρηστός (πραύτης χρηστότης.)

These words are the opposite of the two former ones; they agree as expressions of lenity of mind; yet they differ. For *πραῦς* is gentle, who endures all things with an even temper (*saufmüthig*;) *ἥπιος* is mild, especially towards the faults of others (*gelinde, mild*;) *χρηστός* kindly, who wishes well, and desires to benefit others (*gütig*.) Therefore in Matthew **xxi. 5**, βασιλεὺς *πραῦς* is not benign, but gentle, tender, free from proud ferocity; as in Pindar *Pyth. iii. v. 124*, βασιλεὺς *πραῦς* ἀστοῖς, οὐ φρονέων ἀγαθῶς. Compare Matthew **xi. 29**, ὅτι *πραῖος* εἰμι καὶ ταπεινὸς τῇ καρδίᾳ. And in 1 Peter **iii. 4**, *πραῦ* καὶ ἡσύχιον πνεῦμα is a meek and quiet spirit. Finally, the *πραεῖς* in Matthew **v. 5**, are free from that haughty self-sufficiency, in which the Jews made their boast of promised happiness; and therefore, it is said *κληρονομήσουσι τὴν γῆν*, see Wetstein on this passage. The force of *ἥπιος* may be sufficiently shown by one passage, 1 Thess. **ii. 7**, *δυνάμενοι ἐν βάρει εἶναι, ὡς χριστοῦ ἀπόστολοι, ἐγενήθημεν ἥπιοι ἐν μέσῳ ὑμῶν, ὡς ἂν τροφὸς θάλπη τὰ ἑαυτῆς τέκνα*; as in Homer, *πατήρ δ' ὡς ἥπιος ἦεν*. *πραῖος* denotes tenderness of spirit;

ἥπιος the exhibition of that tenderness in bearing with others; (*gelinde, mild bey der Behandlung andrer.*) In 2 Tim. ii. 24, the servant of the Lord must not strive (*i. e.* about useless questions,) but *ἥπιον εἶναι πρὸς πάντας, i. e.* he must be gentle in bearing with the opinions of others, *διδακτικὸν, ἀνεξίκακον, ἐν πραότητι παιδεύοντα τοὺς ἀντίδιατιθεμένους.* He is *ἥπιος* who seeks to the utmost of his power, not to annoy or distress others. So we find *ἥπια φάρμακα*, Iliad. δ. 212; and *ἥπια ἀκίσματα*, Aeschyl. Prometh. v. 481. And in Herodot. iii. 89, we find *ἥπιος* opposed to *χαλεπός*.

In the word *χρηστός* the presiding notion is benevolence, benignity. Our Lord says of the Father that he is *χρηστὸν ἐπὶ τοῖς ἀχαρίστοις καὶ πονηροῖς*, Luke vi. 35. For he who is *χρηστός* not only is kind to the good but to the evil. This injunction had preceded: Love your enemies. The *ἀχαρίστοι καὶ πονηροί* are those who, regardless of benefit received, act wickedly, and are to all *ἀχρηστοί*. Compare Ephes. iv. 32, and 1 Cor. xv. 32, and Wetstein's notes. Often also *χρηστοί* and *πονηροί* are opposed to each other. In Matthew xi. 30, *ὁ ζυγὸς μου χρηστὸς καὶ τὸ φορτίον μου ἑλαφρόν ἐστι*, it is commonly thought that *χρηστός*, is easy, pleasant. But I rather think that here also it is, benign. For the yoke of

the law, especially in connexion with the traditions and comments of the Pharisees was *πονηρός*; (*φορτία δυσβάστακτα* Matth. xxiii. 4, Luke xi. 46.) and yet it was *ἄχρηστος*; but the *ζυγὸς τοῦ χριστοῦ* was *χρηστός*, i. e. benign (*ein wohlthätiges Joch* :) for he who bears it feels himself to be more blessed as he goes forward. But let young students be on their guard, lest they so conceive of the *φορτίον ἑλαφρόν*, as to suppose that the precepts of Christian duty are easy to be observed—which is very incorrect; for it may be easy enough to abstain from certain meats; but *ζῆν κατὰ πνεῦμα*, is not so easy; to overcome every rebellious passion, and constantly to obey the divine commandments, not by the fear of punishments or the hope of reward, but solely from the love of truth and virtue, and of the holy authority which commands it. And yet it may be said truly, *ἑλαφρόν τὸ φορτίον*, i. e. *εὐφορον καὶ εὐβάστακτον*, because it does not depress the soul, but nourishes and confirms it day by day; so that daily it is made *χρηστότερος καὶ ἑλαφρότερος*. For many are the *κουφά* to the narrow-minded man, especially if they are *ἐπίχρυσα*; but *ἀφόρητα ἑλευθέρω ἀνδρί*, as in Lucian, l. Merc. cond. 13. p. 669. But to return. In Romans ii. 4, it will be granted by all that *τὸ χρηστὸν τοῦ Θεοῦ* means the benevolence of God; but then they

say that *χρηστότης* in the New Testament, not only denotes benevolence or beneficence, as Rom. ii. 4, xi. 22, 2. Cor. vi. 5, &c., but also the benefit derived from benevolence, as in Ephes. ii. 7, *πλουτοῦν τῆς χάριτος αὐτοῦ ἐν χρηστότητι ἐφ' ἡμᾶς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ*. But in this passage *χάρις* seems rather, as elsewhere, to express the benefit conferred on us, by divine benevolence, through Jesus Christ. In Titus iii. 4, also, who does not see that *χρηστότης* denotes not the benefit but the benevolence? If we are to give heed also to the lexicographers, even *ἐπιεικής* does not differ from those words of which we have spoken, for they render it mild, clement, indulgent, lenient, humane, and *ἐπιεικεία* clemency, humanity. But in *ἐπιεικής* there is not the notion of a mind moderate, mild, merciful; which renders the three former words synonymous; but *ἐπιεικής* is rather one who is easy, yielding, not obstinate, (*gefällig, nachgiebig,*) opposed to *χαλεπός*. But all this is well known.

νήπιος· ἄφρων· ἀνόητος· ἀσύνετος·

with the substantives

ἄνοια· ἀφροσύνη· μωρία·

All these words so far agree as they express a certain deficiency of intellect, whether this shows itself in thinking or acting. Yet they differ very widely.

The word *νήπιος* is properly expressive of age, and therefore it does not denote vice, absolutely; nor is it predicated properly of man only, but frequently it is used to express an incautious ingenuous man, unsuspicious of evil; it is put for that simplicity of mind which is so pleasing in youth.

But since in adults this quality is deservedly reprov'd, as unworthy of a mature mind, it is used as a term of reproach towards those who think, feel, and act like children, when from their years they ought to have made further advances. In the New Testament, however, it often occurs without the idea of reprehension. So Matth. xi. 25, Luke x. 21, Gal. iv. 3, Rom. ii. 20. Hence *νήπιος ἐν Χριστῷ* 1 Cor. iii. 1. In the same way *νηπιάζειν* occurs 1 Cor. xiv. 20, *μὴ παιδία γίνεσθε ταῖς φρεσίν, ἀλλὰ τῇ κακίᾳ νηπιάζετε*, as in Xenoph. Ages. i. 17. *παῖδα τῇ ἀπάτῃ*. In Ephes. iv. 14, they are called *νήπιοι*, who, like infants, are incautious and easily deceived. The word stands opposed to *ἀνὴρ τέλειος* v. 15. (comp. Heb. v. 13.)

The word *ἄφρων* denotes one who does not rightly use his mental powers. And this is not always used in a bad sense. For what the lexicographers say, that it means foolish, senseless, pagan, impious, villainous, and even osten-

tious, must be rejected, together with their other frequent trifling. It answers, in fact, to our word *unverständlich*; which is not only applied to boys, but to any who, without actual blame, are destitute of the true knowledge of things; and it is said sometimes without the idea of blame. So it occurs almost invariably in the New Testament. In Rom. ii. 20, *καυδευτης ἀφρόνων* and *διδάσκαλος ηπιίων* occur together; and in 2 Cor. xi. 19, we read *ἡδέως γὰρ ἀνέχισθε τῶν ἀφρόνων, φρόνιμοι ὄντες*. Neither are the *ἄφρονες*, impious, or vain and insolent boasters; for the *φρόνιμος*, could not properly bear with such; but they are rather men who find pleasure in light and trifling things; and are called *ἄφρονες*, because they do not understand that such things are vain and perishing. Luke xii. 20, 21. Such men the *φρόνιμοι* not only bear with, but they may do so *ἡδέως*, i. e. without anger. In this sense Paul, in verse 16, calls himself *ἄφρων*, because after the manner of men he boasted, *ἐν ἀφροσύνῃ*, i. e. *ὡς ἄφρων*. For as they are *φρόνιμοι* who rightly estimate things around them, so men who are deceived by foolish vanities, yet boast themselves, are called *αφρονες*. So in Xenophon Apol. we find *ἀφρονιστίαι ἡ μεγαληγορία*; and Sympos. 4. 55, they are called *ἄφρονες*, who were pleased with the deceits of a Sicilian. In

1 Peter ii. 15, it is joined with ἀγνοσία; which is put for the ignorance of men who are influenced by mere outward appearance. Commonly it is there interpreted, calumny, probably because it occurs thus, φημοὺν τῇ τῶν ἀφρόνων ἀγνοσίᾳ. But φημοὺν in this passage is simply to coerce.

The word ἀνόητος differs from both the former. It is foolish, stupid, either that which is really wanting in right reason, (*unvernünftig*); or that it is not properly called out; so that, although a man may appear to himself to follow a certain rule in acting, yet he is in fact guided by false rules, both in thought and action. Paul, therefore, calls the Galatians ἀνόητοι; because, although they thought themselves very wise, they were, in fact, decidedly false teachers, and had returned to the old superstition. And the ἀνόητοι are rightly opposed to the σοφοί; Rom. i. 14; and Titus iii. 3. ἡμεν γάρ ποτε καὶ ἡμεῖς ἀνόητοι, i. e. we followed a wrong course of living, not we were without a proper knowledge of religion. And when Jesus, Luke xxiv. 25, called his two disciples, ἀνόητους καὶ βραδεῖς τῇ καρδίᾳ, it is plain that he could not, and would not, upbraid their weakness and slowness of intellect; but he calls them ἀνόητοι, because they had formed from the Scriptures a false hope respecting the Messiah, and had consequently sunk into despondency.

Luther well renders it : *Thoren*. Neither, as we lately observed, is βραδεῖς τῇ καρδίᾳ slow of mind or stupid : nor βραδύς τῇ καρδίᾳ taken by itself, incredulous ; but the whole formula βραδεῖς τῇ αὐτοῦ πιστεῖν, expresses an incredulous man, one hard of belief. For when βραδύς is said of the mind of man, the kind of slowness is determined by the rest of the sentence. A man may be either βραδύς εἰς τὸ λαλῆσαι, βραδύς εἰς ὑργίην. (James i. 19.) εἰς τὸ συνίεναι, εἰς τὸ πιστεῖν. But βραδύς alone never means slowness of intellect or stupidity. Theophrastus rightly says, ch. 14. (27.) ἀναισθησίαν βραδυτήτα ψυχῆς ἐν λόγοις καὶ πράξεσιν, which passage is sometimes adduced to show that βραδύς means stupid. Polybius also, whom (iv. 8. 7.) they say had affirmed the Thessalonians to be ἀχρήστους καὶ βραδεῖς useless and stupid, had said a little before that the same man was often συνειρώτατος καὶ βραδύτατος. Certainly in both passages the word denotes slowness of action. But let students beware how they confide in examples brought from other writers. But to return. In 1 Tim. vi. 9, when the Apostle speaks of ἐπιθυμίαι ἀνοήτοι, he does not mean passions which make men mad, as some render it ; but which are themselves wild and irrational, as ἐπιθυμία ἄφρων in Eurip. Herc. Fur. v. 310. Compare Schol. on Aristoph. Nub.

v. 426. *ἄνοια* frequently means want of mind, not want of piety ; as Luke vi. 11, and 2 Tim. iii. 9 ; but the word *ἀνοησία* appears to agree more fully with the proper meaning of the word *ἀνοητος* ; of which word Moeris gives some examples on the word *ἡλθιος*.

Finally, *ἄσύνετος* expresses density and inaptitude of mind to perceive that which is true and just. For the word *ἄξύνετος* s. *ἄσύνετος*, is used by the Greeks in two ways, both of a heavy and stupid man, who is wanting in intellectual acumen ; and of those things which are difficult of comprehension, and only to be apprehended by men of acuteness, by the *σύνετοι*. In this latter sense it does not occur in the sacred writings : See Valkenar on Euripid. Phoen. v. 1510 ; but in the former sense it is used both in the New Testament, and by other writers ; although it is somewhat surprising that the Greeks have used the same word both in the active and passive sense. And, in the same way, they use *συνετός*, both of him who readily and acutely perceives, and of the thing easily understood. There are some who affirm, that in Rom. i. 31, and x. 30, *ἄσύνετος* is wicked, wanting in true religion ; but without any ground, except that in Suidas we find *ἄσυνέτους· τους ἀσυνειδήτους*. But in the midst of

an enumeration of particular vices, we could hardly expect to find the general notion of wickedness or improbity; and in c. x. 30, ἔθνος ἀσύνετον evidently means a people so far inferior to the Jews in understanding, as to be the object of contempt. (οὐκ ἔθνος.)

In fine, νήπιος is one who is yet inexperienced, unknowing; ἄφρων, one who does not use his rational powers; ἀνέητος, who, although he appears to know, yet thinks and acts perversely; ἀσύνετος, one who, from density of mind, does not perceive truth and right. The fault of the ἀφρόνεις is ἀφροσύνη, and the ἀνοήτοι, μωρία, in the νηπιοί, ἀπλότης, in the ἀσύνετοι, ἀσυνεσία. We will turn now, however, to some other examples.

εὐσεβής. εὐλαβής. εὐσεβεία. εὐλάβεια.

These words are synonymous; for they are all used to express piety, Luke ii. 25, ἀνὴρ δίκαιος καὶ εὐλαβής. Acts x. 2, εὐσεβής καὶ φοβούμενος τὸν Θεόν. Heb. xii. 28, μετὰ αἰδοῦς καὶ εὐλαβείας. 1 Tim. ii. 2, ἐν πάσῃ εὐσεβείᾳ καὶ σεμνότητι. Passages, however, occur, in which their several and special significations must be observed. εὐσεβής and εὐλαβής differ, inasmuch as εὐσεβής expresses that reverence for the Deity which shows itself in actions, especially in the worship of God; but εὐλαβής indicates that disposition, which dreads and avoids the doing any thing contrary

to right, and diligently labours, therefore, to fulfil all the duties of piety and humanity. *εὐλαβής* is the pious man, who is governed by the thought of the divine sanctity, and always fears lest he should do, or think, any thing opposed to the divine will, *gottesfürchtig* ; a God-fearing man ; but he is *εὐσεβής* who shows that piety by acting, *fromm*. Hence *εὐλάβεια* is that piety which governs the soul, *Gottesfurcht* ; *εὐσέβεια* is the energy of piety in the life, both internal and external, *Frömmigkeit, Gottseligkeit*. Luther properly renders 1 Tim. vi. 6, *ἔστι δὲ πορισμὸς μέγας ἡ εὐσέβεια μετὰ αὐταρκείας, wer gottselig ist*. For true piety has this power, that life is rendered desirable, even though destitute of external prosperity ; and we find ourselves happy if it be only in an acquiescence in the providential government of God. That is *εὐσέβεια μετ' αὐταρκείας*. On the contrary, they are said to be most miserably in error, who are *νομίζοντες πορισμὸν εἶναι τὴν εὐσέβειαν*, i. e. who look for mere earthly gain from their piety. It is piety *μετ' αὐταρκείας* which is gainful. And *εὐσέβεια* in this passage, does not mean the Christian religion which leads to piety. It is *ἡ κατ' εὐσέβειαν διδασκαλία* v. 13, which is the institution for producing piety. Neither is *τὸ μυστήριον τῆς εὐσεβείας* 1 Tim. iii. 16, as it is usually rendered, the mystery of

religion, *i. e.* the Christian doctrine; but *μυστήριον τῆς εὐσεβείας*, is that doctrine or matter to which all piety, *i. e.* Christian religion is to be referred. *στύλος καὶ ἑδραίωμα τῆς ἀληθείας*, namely, *θεὸς ἐφανερώθη ἐν σαρκὶ &c. λ.* That *εὐσέβεια* is that especially which shows itself in the life, is evident from Acts xxii. 12; *ἀνὴρ εὐσεβὴς κατὰ τὸν νόμον*, as in Xenoph. Hist. Gr. i. 7, 10. *κατὰ τὸν νόμον, εὐσεβούντες καὶ εὐορκοῦντες, κρινέτε*. Compare Acts xvii. 23, 2 Tim. iii. 5. Wherefore Peter, 2 Epistle i. 6, exhorts Christians to show in their continence, patience, in their patience, *εὐσέβεια*, and in their *εὐσέβεια*, brotherly love.

But as *εὐλαβής* properly denotes timidity and caution, it is so said of piety, as that it exhibits the effects of piety on the mind rather than the principle of the life of piety. It occurs in this sense in the passages quoted. But there are two places adduced in which it is supposed that *τοὺς εὐλαβεῖς*, means proselytes of the gate; who elsewhere are spoken of by the terms *φοβούμενοι* and *σεβόμενοι τὸν Θεόν*. So Acts ii. 5. *ἦσαν δὲ ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ κατοικοῦντες Ἰουδαῖοι, ἄνδρες εὐλαβεῖς, ἀπὸ παντὸς ἔθνους τῶν ὑπὸ τὸν οὐρανόν*. But first, there is no reason why we should admit the idea of proselytes, since there is nothing said concerning these men which may not be said of Jews generally. For it is evident that *οἱ*

κατοικοῦντες ἐν Ἱερ. ἄνδρες εὐλαβεῖς are only mentioned; because Jews, not only those born in Palestine and speaking Hebrew, but all those who journeyed from different provinces to Jerusalem, and spoke different languages or dialects, each severally heard these Apostles, who were Galileans, speak ἕκαστος ἐν τῇ ἰδίᾳ διαλέκτῳ αὐτῶν, ἐν ᾗ ἐγενήθησαν. For when they are spoken of as κατοικοῦντες ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ, this is understood, with little reason, to refer to those proselytes who are called גֵּרִי תושב; and who certainly received this appellation, not because they dwelt in Jerusalem, but because they were permitted to sojourn among the Israelites generally. For these sojourners lived not only in Jerusalem, but throughout the whole of Palestine, and amongst the Jews scattered through all the various provinces of the Roman Empire. Besides, they are called Ἰουδαῖοι which name was not applied to the mere sojourning proselytes, but only to those who were proselytes of the covenant. Peter himself, calls them ἄνδρες Ἰουδαῖοι καὶ οἱ κατοικοῦντες Ἱερουσαλὴμ ἅπαντες; but in v. 22, ἄνδρες Ἰσραηλῖται. In v. 10, however, a distinction is drawn between Ἰουδαῖοι τε καὶ προσήλυτοί. Finally, the whole line of argument which Peter adopts, would have been inapplicable to the sojourners among them.

whom the rulers of the Jews only required to observe the Noachic precepts; for Peter made use of examples which could only influence those who had embraced the whole law. That the term cannot be referred to proselytes of the covenant may be understood from this, that these could neither be distinguished from Jews by this term, neither could they be called κατοικοῦντες. For this word, if it indeed accords with the Hebrew term **בְּנִי**, is applicable only to the sojourners, to whom the rest of the description does not apply. They appear to me, therefore, to have been men, not born in Judea, yet of the Jewish nation, who were dwelling for a time at Jerusalem, among whom also it appears by v. 10, some were proselytes. For it is evident that κατοικεῖν may be affirmed of all the dwellers at Jerusalem, and not only of the sojourners, Acts i. 19.

A second instance occurs of the use of the word εὐλάβης, where ἄνδρες εὐλαβεῖς are said to have buried Stephen. But there is no reason to suppose them proselytes either. And, lastly, there is a passage, Heb. v. 7, in which εὐλάβεια appears to be said of anxiety of mind, καὶ εἰσακουθεὶς ἀπὸ τῆς εὐλαβείας. This is rendered: “and was heard and delivered from anxie-

ty." But seeing that by this view, the series of thought is manifestly interrupted, (offering up ardent prayers, he was freed and accomplished a perfect obedience,) I would prefer to understand εὐλάβεια in the sense of piety, for the sake of which he was heard. For he received this reward of true piety, that he obtained that for which he prayed. For he did not ask to be set free from the suffering of death, but that in the enduring of death, he might experience that constancy and perseverance of mind which Luke relates to have been conferred on him, c. xxii. 42, 43. It would appear, therefore, that all these words Καίπερ ὦν υἱὸς ἔμαθεν—ὑπακοήν, should be included in a parenthesis, that the other parts of the sentence may cohere together, δεήσεις προσ-επέγκας, εἰς ἀκουθεῖς — καὶ τελειωθείς ἐγένετο αἷτιος σωτηρίας.. On this use of the preposition ἀπὸ, see Abresch. Dilucid. Thuc. p. 144, and Morus ad Isocr. Paneg. p. 55.

It is a groundless complaint which some persons have made, that some vocables in the New Testament are used so vaguely and indefinitely, that among their various meanings it is not always apparent which is to be attached to them in each particular instance. Whence it arises, that to the same vocable

sometimes they affix the generic and sometimes a certain specific signification. But any one may perceive that this would be an erroneous mode of interpretation. For if a word denotes any thing which has several forms united under one common genus, but different in species, it is certainly possible that the generic word may be predicated of each particular species; but it would be very absurd to say, that the word denoted all the particulars which class under the one genus. It were ridiculous if any one in a German lexicon, among the meanings of the word *Holz* (wood), should enumerate all the species of wood as if they were expressed by the generic term; and should state, that it sometimes means the genus and sometimes the several species which compose the genus, and then give all the different kinds of trees, as *Bauholz*, *Brennholz*, *Nutzholz*. And is it not then equally ridiculous, when, in the lexicons to the New Testament, we see, affixed to any word, all the notions of the several things which are associated under it as separate species? It is one thing for a word to be predicated of several things, because the common or generic notion inherent in it, applies to those several things; it is another for that word to denote these se-

veral specific things. The examples of this error are innumerable, but in this discussion a few will suffice.

ἀκαθαρσία ἀσίλγεια ἀσωτία

These words are said to have at times a wider signification than at others; and sometimes to denote all improbity of manners and of life, at others, to represent only some special form of that general pravity. So that it must be sometimes doubtful what notion is in each place to be attached to the word. The cause, however, of such ambiguity and hesitation, must be sought not in the negligence or carelessness of the writers, but in the ignorance of the true force of the word which they have used. These words may have been accounted synonymous, because each has the common notion of impurity of life—defiled by intemperate passions; yet each has its specific and proper force, which, if we observe accurately, we need never remain in doubt as to the meaning in each particular instance.

The word *ἀκαθαρσία* has the most extensive meaning, for it denotes every kind of impurity of mind and conduct. But *ἀσίλγεια*, and *ἀσωτία*, although they also are truly *ἀκαθαρσία*; yet they denote a certain kind of *ἀκαθαρσία* only; so that they cannot be permuted, as if it were the

same thing whether ἀσέλγεια, ἀσωτία, ταρτία, or ἀκαθαρσία, ἁνομία were written; and they are not so promiscuously used in the New Testament. For ἀκαθαρσία is used to express any kind of mental or moral impurity or uncleanness, and not merely impure passions and indulgences. So in 1 Thess. ii. 3, the παράκλησις is said to be made οὐκ ἐκ πλάνης, οὐδὲ ἐξ ἀκαθαρσίας, οὐδὲ ἐκ ὀδλου, neither in error, nor by impure council, nor in guile; and in c. iv. it is opposed to δικαιοσύνη. And in Romans vi. 19, it is not synonymous with ἁνομία, but it is said generally of all impurity of life. The sense is, as ye formerly παριστήσατε τὰ μέλη ὑμῶν δοῦλα τῇ ἀκαθαρσίᾳ καὶ τῇ ἁνομίᾳ, i. e. to impurity, and to improbity, εἰς τὴν ἁνομίαν, so as to lead an impious and flagitious life; so now consecrate them to probity and virtue, (τῇ δικαιοσύνῃ) εἰς ἁγιασμόν, that you may lead a pure and holy life. I know not but that the words εἰς ἁνομίαν and εἰς ἁγιασμόν might be taken in connection with παριστήσατε; so that the sense would be, your members which formerly in the service of impurity, were devoted to impiety, now δοῦλα τῇ δικαιοσύνῃ, consecrate to holiness and chastity. There is a very similar passage in Ephes. iv. 19, ὅτις παρίδωκεν ἑαυτοὺς τῇ ἀσελγείᾳ εἰς ἐργασίαν ἀκαθαρσίας πάσης ἐν πλεονεξίᾳ. It seems, however,

opposed to this, that *παριστάναι* is joined sometimes with the dative, as v. 16.

The word *ἀσέλγεια* differs from *ἀκαθαρσία*. *ἀσελγής* is properly petulant, saucy, impudent; one without modesty or retiredness, but who acts immoderately and with wantonness; and *ἀσέλγεια*, therefore, is the forwardness and peevish impertinence of the *ἀσελγής*, and not the obscenity and uncleanness of lust. This is proved by innumerable passages, which, after Henry Stephen, the lexicographers have heaped together. See also Westein on New Testament, vol. i. 588. In this sense it occurs in 2 Cor. xii. 21, joined with *ἀκαθαρσία* and *πορνεία*, as in Cicero, *pro Cael.* 29, c. 12, there is a long harangue, *de corruptelis, de adulteriis, de protervitate, de sumtibus.* Rom. xiii. 13, *μη κοίταις καὶ ἀσελγείαις*; and in the list of vices given in Gal. v. 19. It is probably used to express filthy lust in 2 Peter ii. 7, 18; but in 1 Peter iv. 3, it seems rather to intimate wantonness. It is doubtful in what sense it is specially intended in Mark vii. 22. *κλοπαί, πλεονεξίαι, πονηρίαι, δόλος, ἀσέλγεια, ὀφθαλμοὶς πονηρός, βλασφημία, ὑπερηφανία, ἀφροσύνη.* It cannot mean lust, for it is classed with vices of another character, and that has been already noticed in v. 21. The interpreters, therefore, generally

render it injury; but it is rather insolence; the insolence of men, who, indulgent to their own passions, have no regard to that which is just and equal, but trample down every right of others, while they hurry on to their own object.* In this sense it often occurs, among

* I cannot trace satisfactorily the oriental root of this word. Probably if we could, we might arrive at a more distinct determination of its generic force, and thus reconcile the seeming discrepancy and obscurity which evidently attend it. There are traces of the original word in the whole of the Gothic family of languages. In the Gothic translation of the Gospel by Ulphilas, *unselgam* is the wicked. This word is still retained in German, *unselig*, miserable, fatal, condemned. And it occurs also without the negative particle, German *selig*, Danish *salog*, Anglo-Saxon *saelig*, in the sense of good, virtuous, and therefore in a secondary sense, happy. The Greek word ἀσελγής is evidently compounded of the negative or privative α, and some oriental root corresponding in its consonants to the letters σλγ, and identical with that word which came into Europe with the leaders of the Gothic migration, and which has retained its place even in modern times. If it shall be yet discovered through the film of some slight orthographical difference, it will most probably throw light upon the use of the Greek term. It is very probable that *seligo*, in Latin is not a compound, as the Lexicons state of *se* and *ligo*; but is another form of the yet undiscovered etymon of *selig*.

I am inclined to think that the original word is צלח which, in the Hebrew, is *prosperare fecit, profuit*. It has the same sense in Chaldee and Syriac; and in Arabic is not only used in this sense, but carries also the idea of worth and

other writers, but especially in Polybius; and in those passages which are sometimes compared with the text already quoted from Mark. In the same way Demosthenes charges Philip with ἀσέλγεια καὶ πλεονεξία. He puts together also δισκοπιῶς καὶ ἀσελγῶς, ἀσελγῶς καὶ προπιῶς, and also ἀσελγῶς καὶ πολυτελῶς, as Aeschinus in Ctesiphon, p. 78, 5. διὰ τὴν ἀσέλγειαν τῆς δαπάνης. Nor does the word in the Epistle of Jude, v. 4, vary from the particular sense. For οἱ ἀσεβεῖς, τὴν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν χάριν μετατιθέντες εἰς ἀσέλγειαν are not altogether the impious and wicked, but the wanton, the insolent, οἱ τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν ἀρνούμενοι.

Finally, ἀσωτία is properly the worthless debauchery of a man, who leads a desperate life, as ἄσωτος is a worthless man. (See Cicero Tusc. iii. 8, et Gellius vii. 11.) Hence it is generally said of the profligate and dissolute, whom

excellence. *عز* *roote habuit res, Probus fuit homo; Integer, bonus, idoneus.* It seems scarcely probable that a word should occur in the whole Gothic family of languages, and also in the cognate dialects of the mother tongue, expressing the same two ideas of worth and happiness, and composed of the same radical sounds, without a derivative connection existing between them. If we have been thus led to a right view of the origin of the word ἀσέλγεια, then the general idea attached to it is, that of a course of moral conduct contrary to right, and issuing in misery.—T.

Cicero describes to the life in his *Officiis* ii. 55, and 16. So in Luke xv. 13. the prodigal son is said ἀσώτως ζῆν. And in Ephes. v. 18. μὴ μεθύσκεσθε οἴνῳ, ἐν ᾧ ἐστὶν ἀσωτία, it is not spoken of every kind of wicked impurity, of which drunkenness is the fountain, but of ruinous debauchery particularly. (*Leiderlichkeit*, libertinism.) Paul also desires that no such person should be chosen to the pastorship, who had τέκνα ἐν κατηγορίᾳ ἀσωτίας ἢ ἀνυπότακτα. And in 1 Peter iv. 3, the class of impure vices there spoken of is called in v. 4, ἀνάχυσις ἀσωτίας, as a sort of outpouring or cess-pool of debauchery. Compare Westein on Luke xv. vol. i. p. 758. There is no need for further examples in a case already sufficiently plain, so that this word might have been dismissed in a very few words, had it not, in some few instances, been used differently from its proper and specific meaning. For there are two common places to which, in the explanation of words of this class, many interpreters have recourse; for if the proper meaning of a writer, in any passage, does not appear sufficiently plain, they either conceive that he intends to express some unclean vice, or that he uses a general term for any kind of wickedness and impiety.

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